

OFFICIAL BUSINESS

MAR 16 1944

TARGET: GABLINGEN A/D; AUGSBURG.
 GP-100-SU-OP-S
 MAR 16 1944

100TH BOMB GROUP (H) MISSION NUMBER 130:

Field Order Number: 179.
 Primary Target: Gablingen A/D (Augsburg)
 Secondary Target: Augsburg, city center (PFF)
 Last Resort: Any industrial target positively identified
 in Germany which can be attacked without
 disrupting fighter support.
 Duty Officer: Capt. Johnson
 Officers' Briefing: Lt. Terry
 Gunners' Briefing: Lt. Bowers
 Time of Briefing: 0400
 E. T. R. 1600
 Result: Completed, Secondary Target.

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MISSION FOLDER CHECK LIST

1. Warning order, field order, annexes

Target maps & illustrations:

Briefing information: a) Main Briefing
 b) Gunners' briefing.
 c) Camera installations
 d) Authorized lists of admission.

2. Formation chart;

Interrogation Forms;

Combat forms & a) Letter of transmittal
 b) 3rd B.D. evaluated encounters letter,
 c) Evaluated Encounters ltr, 3rd B.D. to Station S-1

3. A/C Returning early:

Hot News (A/C in distress, and shipping)

Statistical Telephone

Narrative telephone or teletype

Intelligence Report

Aircraft landing Away

PRO Reports

Miscellaneous reports a) Medical
 b) Equipment malfunctions
 c) Crew suggestions to C.O.
 d) Battle damage
 e) Sortie information
 f) Flak

Missing A/C and Missing Crew reports

4. 3rd B.D. Flash report, & Narrative teletype
 Strike photos, raid assessments, ECNO, etc.
 Statistical Work sheet;
 Mission folder check list.

(Material placed in the folder in this order; material mentioned
 last is on top)

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MAR 16 1944

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C. A/C IN DISTRESS

3D BOMB DIVISION LOST 13 A/C ON THIS MISSION: 9 A/C TO E/A, 2 A/C TO A AND E/A, 2 TO REASONS UNKNOWN.--

1. A/C 096 OF 447TH GROUP WAS HIT BY E/A IN NO. 2 AND 3 ENGINES AT 4843-0456E. A/C PULLED OUT TO ONE SIDE WITH SMOKE COMING FROM NO. 3 ENGINE AND GASOLINE PURING OUT. 5-7 CHUTES SEEN. A/C IS REPORTED TO HAVE EXPLODED.

2. A/C 262 OF 390TH-B GROUP WAS HIT BY ROCKETS OR 20MM CANNON FIRED BY E/A AT 1150 HOURS NEAR NORDLINGEN. A/C PEELED OFF TO THE LEFT OF THE LOW SQUADRON AND WAS OBSERVED GOING DOWN UNDER CONTROL FROM 20,000 FEET INTO UNDERCAST. 6 CHUTES SEEN.

3. A/C 783 OF 390TH-B GROUP WAS HIT BY ROCKETS OR 20MM CANNON BY E/A AT ABOUT 1150 HOURS NEAR NORDLINGEN. WINGS AND FUSELAGE OF A/C WERE IN FLAMES AND IT THEN DROPPED OUT OF LOW SQUADRON FORMATION AND BLW UP SHORTLY THEREAFTER. NO CHUTES WERE SEEN.

4. A/C 916 OF 452ND GROUP WAS OBSERVED STRAGGLING DUE TO "WIND-MILL PROP", JETTISONING EQUIPMENT TO KEEP UP AND CALLING LEADER TO SLW DOWN. THE A/C WAS ATTACKED BY 2 FW 190S, DROPPED BACK AND WAS AGAIN JUMPED BY 2 E/A AS IT HEADED FOR THE UNDERCAST ABOUT 20 MILES WEST OF DIEPPE APPARENTLY UNDER CONTROL. 10 CHUTES WERE SEEN.

5. A/C 369 OF 96TH GROUP WAS REPORTED TO HAVE ONE PROP FEATHERED AT THE TARGET AND WAS LAST OBSERVED GOING DOWN UNDER CONTROL 40 MILES FROM THE FRENCH COAST ON THE ROUTE OUT WITH 2 ENGINES KNOCKED OUT. 4-8 CHUTES SEEN.

6. AT 1215 HOURS AT 4820-1050E A B-17 FROM 94TH GROUP WAS SEEN TO EXPLODE. NO CHUTES OBSERVED. (385TH-B GROUP REPORT) A/C 546 OF 94 GROUP IS OUTSTANDING.

7. AT 1300 HOURS SOUTHEAST OF STRASBOURG (4820-0820E) A/C 989 OF 95TH GROUP PULLED OUT OF FORMATION UNDER E/A ATTACK WITH NO. 1 ENGINE FEATHERED AND SMOKING AND NO. 3 ENGINE ALSO SMOKING. THE LEFT WING BURNED OFF AND THE A/C CRASHED AND EXPLODED AT 1306 HOURS. 9 CHUTES WERE SEEN. THIS SAME A/C WAS OBSERVED BY ANOTHER GROUP GOING DOWN IN THE VICINITY OF LANR. 10 CHUTES SEEN. (385TH-A GROUP REPORT)

8. A/C 329 OF 95TH GROUP WAS HIT BY E/A JUST BEFORE THE BOMB RUN. ABOUT 40 SECONDS BEFORE BOMBS AWAY, WITH A POSSIBLE FIRE IN THE BOMB BAY, THE A/C SEEMED TO TAKE A SUDDEN DIVE DOWN FOR 300 FEET AND THEN SLID BACK AND UNDER THE FORMATION. 5 CHUTES SEEN.

9. A/C - 151 AND 205 OF 95TH GROUP ALSO ARE OUTSTANDING. AN A/C FROM THIS GROUP WAS SEEN TO EXPLODE FROM A DIRECT FLAK HIT AT 4820-0730E. NO CHUTES OBSERVED. (385TH-A GROUP REPORT) ANOTHER A/C FROM THE 95TH GROUP WAS OBSERVED TO BLOW UP FROM E/A ACTION AT 4832-0940E AT 1135 HOURS. NO CHUTES SEEN. (385TH-A GROUP REPORT)

10. A/C 737 OF 385TH GROUP WAS SEEN ATTACKED BY E/A AT 1039 HOURS AT ABOUT 4850-0400E. NO. 2 AND 3 ENGINES WERE SMOKING BUT WHEN LAST SEEN THE A/C STILL WAS UNDER CONTROL. (447TH-A GROUP REPORT) THE A/C WAS LAST SEEN AT 1135 HOURS AT 4832-0940E HEADING INTO THE CLOUDS UNDER CONTROL.

11. A/C 195 OF 385TH GROUP WAS OBSERVED JUST BEFORE THE IP WITH NO. 3 ENGINE SMOKING SLIGHTLY AFTER E/A ATTACK. CREW WAS SEEN JETTISONING EQUIPMENT TO KEEP UP WITH THE FORMATION. THIS A/C BOMBED WITH THE GROUP AND THEN PEELED OFF AND HEADED SOUTH TOWARD SWITZERLAND UNDER CONTROL. AT 1238 HOURS AN UNIDENTIFIED B-17 HEADING TOWARD SWITZERLAND WAS SEEN ATTACKED BY E/A. 5 CHUTES OBSERVED. (100TH GROUP REPORT)

12. A/C 160 OF 385TH GROUP, WITH NO. 4 ENGINE SMOKING APPARENTLY AFTER E/A ATTACK, WAS SEEN AT 1135 HOURS TO TURN SOUTH TOWARD SWITZERLAND UNDER CONTROL. AT 1155 HOURS AT ABOUT 4808-1051E AN A/C FROM 385TH GROUP WAS REPORTED TO BE UNDER ATTACK BY E/A AND WAS THEN SEEN TO BLOW UP. 0 CHUTES SEEN. (447TH-A GROUP REPORT)

BOMBARDMENT DIVISION
INTELLIGENCE REPORT

AUGSBURG
16 MARCH 1944

A. EXA OPPOSITION

1. THE FIRST COMBAT WING (4TH-ACW) ENCOUNTERED SEVERE E/A OPPOSITION IN FOUR WELL-DEFINED PHASES OF ATTACKS. THE FIRST PHASE BEGAN AT ABOUT 1035 HOURS AT ABOUT 4850-0435E AND LASTED FOR 10 MINUTES. 25-30 E/A WERE ENCOUNTERED MOSTLY ME 109S, WITH A LARGE PORTION OF FW 190S AND SOME JU 88S. ONE CREW REPORTS OBSERVING SEVERAL HE 113S DURING THIS PHASE. THE SECOND PHASE OF ATTACKS BEGAN AT ABOUT 1053 HOURS AT ABOUT 4828-0500 AND LIKEWISE LASTED FOR ABOUT 10 MINUTES WITH ABOUT 25-30 ME 109S AND SOME FW 190S, ME 110S AND JU 88S BEING ENCOUNTERED. THE THIRD PHASE OF ATTACKS BEGAN AT ABOUT 1152 HOURS AT 4840-1020 WITH THE CHIEF OPPOSITION FROM 50-60 T/E E/A MOSTLY JU 88S AND SOME ME 110S AND 410S AND ABOUT 25 FW 190S AND A FEW ME 109S. IT IS ALSO REPORTED THAT 15-20 DO 215S OR DO 217S WERE SEEN AND ALSO ONE 4-ENGINED E/A, PROBABLY A FW 200, WHICH WAS LATER SEEN SHOT DOWN. AT 1231 HOURS AT 4815-1035 THE FOURTH PHASE BEGAN WITH ATTACKS BY 60 T/E E/A (JU 88S AND ME 410S), 15-20 ME 109S AND A NUMBER OF FW 190S. ATTACKS PERSISTED ALL THE WAY TO THE FRENCH BORDER ON THE ROUTE BACK.

THE SECOND COMBAT WING (4TH-B CW) WAS NOT SO HEAVILY HIT. ATTACKS BEGAN AT ABOUT 1135 HOURS AT 4818-0825E AND CONTINUED SPORADICALLY BY VICIOUSLY TO THE TARGET AREA AND ON THE ROUTE OUT TO ABOUT THE SAME POINT WEST ON COURSE. 100/150 E/A WERE ENCOUNTERED MOSTLY ME 109S AND 110S TOGETHER WITH JU 88S, ME 410S AND FW 190S.

IN ATTACKS ON THESE WINGS S/E E/A GENERALLY ATTACKED FROM BOTH NOSE AND TAIL BOTH HIGH AND LEVEL CARRYING ATTACKS THROUGH FORMATIONS. THEY WERE OBSERVED TO SIMULATE FRIENDLY FIGHTER TACTICS AND THEN TRY TO SLIP IN THROUGH ESCORT ATTACKING IN WAVES UP TO 8 ABREAST OUT OF THE SUN. T/E E/A LIKEWISE ATTACKED IN WAVES OF AS MANY AS 25 E/A AT A TIME COMING IN FROM THE SIDES AS WELL AS THE NOSE. T/E E/A FIRED ROCKETS AND FOLLOWED UP WITH 20MM CANNON. ONLY OCCASIONAL ATTACKS WERE MADE BY INDIVIDUAL E/A. MASS ATTACKS WERE MOST PREVALENT AND WERE PRESSED HOME WITH GREAT VIGOR AND DETERMINATION.

THE THIRD COMBAT WING (45TH CW) EXPERIENCED MUCH LESS E/A OPPOSITION. THE LOW GROUP ENCOUNTERED ABOUT 25 T/E E/A AND 5 E/A S/E BETWEEN STRASBOURG AND THE TARGET AREA AND A RUNNING BATTLE THEN DEVELOPED FOR 30 MINUTES. OCCASIONAL PASSES ALSO WERE MADE ON THE LOW GROUP, FROM NANCY TO THE FRENCH COAST BY ABOUT 10 S/E E/A. RELATIVELY LIGHT ATTACKS ALSO WERE MADE ON THE HIGH GROUP ON THE ROUTE IN AND OUT OF CHALONS, STRASBOURG AND NIENBURG BY OVER 20 S/E E/A AND BOTH THE LOW AND HIGH GROUPS WERE SUBJECTED TO ROCKET ATTACKS BY T/E E/A (ME 110S AND 410S), THE LEAD GROUP ENCOUNTERING 10 ME 110S IN THE VICINITY OF THE IP AND THE HIGH GROUP ENCOUNTERING 20-30 ME 410S IN THE TARGET AREA. T/E E/A STOOD OFF 2500 FEET AND LOBBED ROCKETS INTO THE FORMATION FROM THE TAIL FOR AS LONG AS 30 MINUTES. THE LEAD GROUP ALSO WAS ATTACKED BY ABOUT 40 FW 190S AND ME 109S ON THE ROUTE IN SOME E/A PRESSING ATTACKS SO CLOSELY AS TO PASS THROUGH THE FORMATIONS. ATTACKS BY ALL E/A WERE PREDOMINATELY FROM THE TAIL ALTHOUGH MANY WERE FROM THE NOSE AND SX ATTACKS WERE MADE FROM ALL LEVELS. 20MM CANNON WERE USED ALMOST EXCLUSIVELY BY S/E E/A AND ROCKET FIRE WAS EXPERIENCED FROM BOTH S/E AND T/E E/A.

THE LAST COMBAT WING (13TH CW) FIRST PICKED UP E/A OPPOSITION IN THE VICINITY OF CHALONS WHEN INTERMITTENT ATTACKS WERE MADE ON THE LEAD GROUP BY S/E E/A ON THE ROUTE IN E/A ATTACKING IN FORMATIONS OF 3-6 IN LINE ABREAST MOSTLY FROM THE TAIL AND SLIGHTLY HIGH OR SLIGHTLY LOW. AT 1105 HOURS A SINGLE PASS WAS MADE AT THE LOW GROUP IN THE VICINITY OF STRASBOURG BY 5 ME 109S WHICH ATTACKED THE LEAD AND HIGH SQUADRONS FROM 10 O'CLOCK LEVEL. 3 LIGHT ATTACKS ALSO WERE MADE ON THE ROUTE IN ON THE HIGH GROUP AT REUTLINGEN, ULM AND NORDLINGEN BY NO MORE THAN 15 ME 109S AND ME 110S. E/A OPPOSITION WAS PICKED UP IN CONSIDERABLE FORCE AT 1150 HOURS IN THE VICINITY OF NORDLINGEN AND E/A PRESSED ATTACKS TO A POINT JUST BEYOND THE IP AT 1205 HOURS. FROM 30-35 T/E E/A WERE ENCOUNTERED IN THIS PHASE (.MOSTLY ME 110S WITH SHELLS 40BS AND FARNOTJUNGSS). E/A WERE FIRST OBSERVED IN NEXT TO

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SOME ME 410S AND ALSO JU 88S). E/A WERE FIRST OBSERVED FLYING TO THE LEFT OF OUR FORMATIONS OUT OF RANGE AND THEN TO CUT IN FRONT AND PASS DOWN THE RIGHT OF THE FORMATIONS. E/A FIRED ROCKETS IN SIDE ATTACKS AND ALSO ATTACKS FROM THE TAIL AND THE NOSE LOBBING ROCKETS FROM 300-800 YARDS RANGE AND CLOSING WITH 20MM CANNON FIRE. SOME ATTACKS BY AS MANY AS 5 E/A IN LINE ABREAST WERE REPORTED AS WELL AS ATTACKS BY INDIVIDUAL E/A AND SMALLER FORMATIONS. IN SWINGING IN BEHIND FORMATIONS FOR TAIL ATTACKS, E/A WERE PERCEIVED TO APPROACH WITH CONSIDERABLE DELIBERATION AND SLOWNESS. AT 1153 HOURS NEAR 4840-1010E 12 4-ENGINED E/A WERE ENCOUNTERED. THESE E/A HAD TWIN FINS AND RUDDERS, DIHEDRAL IN TAIL PLANE, STRAIGHT CENTER SECTION AND SWEEPED BACK WINGS FROM THE CENTER SECTION RESEMBLING THE JU 290. THESE E/A ATTACKED IN LINE ABREAST FROM 3-4 O'CLOCK. FIRE CAME IN SPURTS FROM UNDER THE WINGS WITH THE SIZE OF GUN FLASHES IN -DICATING THAT GUNS OF LARGE CALIBER WERE BEING EMPLOYED. HIGH AND LEVEL NOSE AND TAIL ATTACKS WERE MADE ON THE LEAD AND HIGH SQUADRONS OF THE LOW GROUP BY ABOUT 9 ME 109S IN THE VICINITY OF STUTTGART AT ABOUT 1254 HOURS. IN ALL, IT IS ESTIMATED BY ONE OF THE GROUPS THAT ABOUT 100 E/A WERE ENCOUNTERED BY THIS WING. S/E E/A SEEMED TO BE CONCENTRATED WEST OF THE RHINE RIVER AND T/E E/A EAST OF THE RHINE RIVER.

2. ME 109S WERE PAINTED LIKE P-51S AND FROM A DISTANCE THE CROSS ON THE FUSELAGE LOOKED LIKE U.S. MARKINGS. SOME ME 109S HAD WHITE STRIPE ON VERTICAL TAIL PLANE MAKING THEM RESEMBLE P-51S. OTHER ME 109S WERE SILVER IN COLOR AND SOME BLACK. TWO LIGHT GREY ME 109S WITH A FIGURE 2 ON THE TAIL AND A BLACK STRIPE ACROSS THE WINGS WERE REPORTED. SLATE BLUE ME 109 REPORTED WITH U.S. INSIGNIA BETWEEN THE COCKPIT AND THE TAIL. YELLOW NOSED FW 190S AND ME 109S WITH WHITE CROSSES ON WINGS AND GREY BODIES WERE OBSERVED. SOME FW 190S HAD CRESCENT MARKINGS PAINTED ON THE WING TIPS TO MAKE THEM APPEAR ROUND LIKE P-47S. OTHERS HAD WHITE NOSES AND WHITE STRIPES ON THE WINGS AND STILL OTHERS WERE SILVER WITH A YELLOW AND BLACK-CHECKERED BELLY. SOME FW 190S WERE PAINTED DARK BLUE WITH WHITE BANDS AT THE WING ROOTS. RED NOSED FW 190S WERE REPORTED AND ALSO SOME WERE OBSERVED TO BE GREY WITH ORANGE NOSES. JU 88S HAD A BRIGHT YELLOW BAND PAINTED ON THE FUSELAGE. SOME JU 88S WERE PAINTED YELLOW. ME 410S WERE PAINTED ALL SILVER AND SOME BLACK AND SILVER. SILVER ME 110S WITH RED ENGINE NACELLSXX NACELLES WERE REPORTED WHILE OTHERS HAD A CREAM BELLY AND A GREEN TOP AND SOME WERE BLACK. SOME T/E E/A WERE PAINTED A SOLID BLACK AND OTHERS WERE UNPAINTED. SOME FW 190S AND ME 109S ARE REPORTED TO HAVE CARRIED BELLY TANKS. ME 110S WERE REPORTED TO FIRE ROCKETS FROM THE TAIL AS WELL AS FROM THE FRONT. A NUMBER OF ATTACKS WERE MADE BY E/A USING FLEXIBLE GUNS WITH E/A FIRING WHILE FLYING PARALLEL TO AND OUT OF RANGE OF FORMATIONS. AT THE TARGET A S/E E/A TRIED AN UNSUCCESSFUL AIR-TO-AIR BOMBING OF A STRAGGLING B-17.

B. OBSERVATIONS BY CREWS

1. HALF-MILE SQUARE ARMY CAMP OBSERVED 3 MILES NW OF ST. JUST-EN-CHAUSSEE.
2. BETWEEN 75-100 SILVER ME 410S WERE OBSERVED NEAR THE TARGET HEADING NORTHWEST. THESE A/C WERE BELIEVED TO BE NEW CRAFT BEING FERRIED SINCE THEY MADE NO ATTEMPT TO ATTACK.
3. OVER THE TARGET A PROJECTILE TRAILING A THIN STREAM OF SMOKE WAS SEEN TO RISE 500 FEET ABOVE THE FORMATIONS AND BURST WITH A MINIMUM OF A DOZEN RED PARACHUTE FLARES THROWN OUT.
4. IN THE VICINITY OF 4836-0610E A LARGE, SQUARE BUILDING WAS SEEN IN A CIRCLE OF WOODS WITH DOORS IN THE SIDES GIVING REASON TO BELIEVE THAT THE BUILDING IS A SUPPLY DEPOT.
5. IN THE VICINITY OF ⁵⁰4849-0448E STORAGE BUILDINGS AND FREIGHT ACTIVITY WERE REPORTED TO HAVE BEEN OBSERVED.
6. LARGE WAREHOUSES WERE SEEN IN THE SOUTHERN PART OF A WOODS IN THE VICINITY OF 4843-0542E.
7. ALONG THE SW EDGE OF TOUL, 15-20 RECTANGULAR FACTORY BUILDINGS WERE REPORTED.
8. ABOUT 6 ENCAMPMENTS REPORTED 25 MILES WEST OF NANCY WITH A WHITE COXX CROSS IN THE CENTER OF THE AREA.
9. 15 LARGE-SIZED VESSELS OBSERVED IN CANAL IN VICINITY OF NANCY. NEW CANAL CONSTRUCTION ALSO REPORTED IN SAME AREA.
10. ALONG THE WESTERN SIDE OF NANCY LONG, LOW, CAMOUFLAGED BUILDINGS ARE REPORTED WHICH LOOK LIKE MACHINE SHOPS.
11. CONSIDERABLE ACTIVITY REPORTED OBSERVED IN MARSHALLING YARDS EAST AND WEST OF REVIGNY.
12. SINGLE A/C, LARGER THAN B-17, OBSERVED NEAR SEVERAL BUILDINGS LOCATED AT 4820-0832E.
13. NEWLY CONSTRUCTED ARMY POST REPORTED AT TOUL.

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1 NONE

2. BOMBING RESULTS ON SECONDARY TARGET UNOBSERVED. ALL BOMBING WAS DONE ON PFF MARKERS USED IN OVERCAST BOMBING TECHNIQUE. ONE GROUPS SAV PHOTOS SHOW A FEW BOMB BURSTS ON END OF MARSHALING YD IN CITY OF ULM

3. 4 A WING

THIS WING REPORTS SIGHTING ABOUT 200 E/A FROM ABOUT 4850 N 0440 E TO TARGET AREA AND BACK TO 4820 N 0800 E ATTACKS WERE MADE BY ALL TYPES OF E/A ATTACKING FROM OUT OF THE SUN USING HEAD-ON AND TAIL ATTACKS. E/A PILOTS WERE PERSISTENT IN THEIR ATTACKS AND APPEARED TO BE EXPERIENCED. THE ATTACKS CAN BE BE ROUGHLY DIVIDED INTO THREE PHASES. THE FIRST PHASE BEGAN AT 1037 HOURS NEAR 4850 N 0440 E AND WAS MADE BY ABOUT 50/70 S/E E/A AND LASTED FOR ABOUT 40 MINUTES. THE SECOND PHASE BEGAN AT 1140 HOURS AND WAS MADE BY 25 S/E E/A AND 50/60 T/E E/A (JU 88S AND ME 410S). THE THIRD PHASE WAS PRIMARILY MADE BY T/E E/A ABOUT 60 IN NUMBER (JU 88S AND ME 410S) AT 1234 HOURS NEAR 4815 N 1035 E THE N S/E E/A MADE SPORADIC ATTACKS ALONG ROUTE BACK TO FRENCH BORDER. GROUPS REPORTED T/E USING ROCKETS WHILE OUT OF RANGE AND THEN CLOSING WITH 20 MM.

EST CLAIMS 15-7-8

4 B WING

THIS WING REPORTS SIGHTING ABOUT 100 PLUS BEGINNING AT 1037 HOURS AT 4840 N 0410 E AND LASTING TO TARGET AREA. THESE E/A WERE MAINLY COMPOSED OF FW 190S AND ME 110S WITH A FEW ME 410S AND JU 88S, ATTACKS WERE MADE SPORADICALLY AND NOT PRESSED HOME WITH MAJORITY OF ATTACKS BEING IN THE TARGET AREA.

EST CLAIMS 6-3-1

45 C.W.

THIS WING REPORTS SIGHTING ABOUT 30 TO 40 T/E AND 10 S/E E/A ON MISSION ALONG ENTIRE ROUTE. ATTACKS WERE MADE BY S/E E/A SINGLY AND INTERMITTENTLY ON ROUTE TO TARGET AND ALMOST TO FRENCH COAST ON ROUTE BACK. ABOUT 20 T/E E/A ME 110S AND ME 410S MADE A ROCKET ATTACK NEAR IP. ATTACKSWERE NOT VERY AGGRESSIVE.

EST CLAIMS 8-4-3

13 C.W.

THIS WING SIGHTED APPROXIMATELY 60 E/A COMPRISED OF ABOUT 30 S/E AND 30 T/E E/A. S/E E/A BEGAN MAKING INTERMITTENT PASSES AND ATTACKS NEAR 4840 N 0435 E AT 1038 HOURS AFTER HAVING ATTACKED WINGS AHEAD. THESE ATTACKS BY S/E CONTINUED SPASMODICALLY ALONG ENTIRE ROUTE AND ALMOST TO FRENCH COAST ON RETURN. INTENSE ROCKET ATTACKS BY T/E MOSTLY ME 110S WAS REPORT FROM VICINITY OF NORDLINGEN TO IP LASTING FROM 1150 TO 1205 HOURS. THESE E/A WOULD LINE UP IN FORMTIONS OF 3, 4, 5, ABREAST AND FIRE ROCKETS FROM 3 O'CLOCK POSITION. CREWS REPORTED SEEING ME 110S AS FIRING TWO ROCKETS WHILE A FEW JU 88S WERE REPORTED AS FIRING 4 ROCKETS. ATTACKS WERE AGGRESSIVE BUT NOT PRESSED HOME VICIOUSLY.

EST CLAIMS 16-6-3

F 4. ALL FLAK ENCOUNTERED TODAY WAS REPORTED AS INACCURATE WITH THE (EXCK) 91 9, 3 & 4970 5-5 4309453\$.3-&43. ACCURATE FLAK AT NORDLINGEN. THE INACCURATE FLAK WAS OBSERVED AT:

(Exception 020000 GROUP THAT REPORTED MEACRE)
 AUGSBURG.....MODERATE
 STRASBOURG....MEAGRE
 EPERNAY.....MEAGRE
 COMPEIGNE.....MEAGRE
 NORDLINGEN....MEAGRE
 CHALLONS.....MEAGRE
 ABBEVILLE.....MEAGRE
 LE TREPORT....MEAGRE
 CHARLEROI.....MEAGRE
 AMIENS.....MEAGRE
 RHEIMS.....MEAGRE

GROUND ROCKETS WERE OBSERVED IN THE TARGET AREA AND ALSO NORTH OF PARIS

5. 4/10 TO 10/10 UNDERCAST ENCOUNTERED THROUGHOUT ROUTE OVER CONTINENT INCREASING IN DENSITY TOWARD THE SECONDARY TARGET WITH CLOUD TOPS FROM 6000 TO 12000 FEET. 8/10 TO 10/10 UNDERCAST ENCOUNTERED OVER THE SECONDARY TARGET AND 5/10 UNDERCAST OVER TARGET OF OPPORTUNITY. PERSISTENT CONTRAILS REPORTED FROM I. P. TO R. P. AND GROUND HAZE PERSISTED THROUGHOUT THE MISSION.

6. LARGE FACTORY REPORTED OBSERVED AT 4828-0704E WITH A/F IN SAME AREA. SOUTH OF ARTONGES IN THE VICINITY OF 4855-0335E BUILDINGS, APPEARING TO BE PART OF A MILITARY INSTALLATION, WERE OBSERVED IN A LARGE CLEARING IN WOODS.

7. FIGHTER SUPPORT TO TARGET REPORTED AS GENERALLY GOOD BY CREWS BUT LAPSE IN SUPPORT WAS NOTED GOING IN AND OUT OF THE TARGET AREA FOR AS LONG AS AN HOUR AND A HALF PROBABLY DUE TO TACTICS ADOPTED BY SOME E/A OF SUCKING OUT ESCORT AND ENGAGING FRIENDLY FIGHTERS IN COMBAT WHILE OTHER E/A ATTACKED FORMATIONS BETWEEN GAPS IN ESCORT.

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DAILY SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS

17 MARCH, 1944

1. EIGHTH AIR FORCE - DAY 16 MARCH, 1944

38&) ^{EIGHTH} EIGHTH AIR FORCE DISPATCHED 740 HEAVY BOMBERS - 501 B-17'S AND 239 B-24'S - TO ATTACK TARGETS IN SOUTHERN GERMANY. 548 B-17'S AND 260 B-24'S WERE AIRBORNE ON THIS OPERATION. FINDING THEIR PRIMARY TARGETS OBSCURED BY 10/10 CLOUDS, THE AIRCRAFT PROCEEDED TO THEIR SECONDARY TARGETS, AUGSBURG AND FRIEDRICHSHAFEN. 401 B-17'S DROPPED 670.5 TONS GP AND 230.5 TONS IB ON AUGSBURG, THEIR SECONDARY TARGET, AND 195 B-24'S DROPPED 246 TONS GP AND 253 TONS IB ON FRIEDRICHSHAFEN, WHICH WAS THE LIBERATOR'S SECONDARY TARGET. BOMBING RESULTS WERE UNOBSERVED DUE TO 8/10 TO 10/10 CLOUD OVER THE TARGETS, AND THE COMBINATION OF CLOUDS AND SNOW IN THE STRIKE ATTACK PHOTOGRAPHS MAKES ACCURATE ASSESSMENT OF DAMAGE UNAVAILABLE AT THIS TIME. 46 B-17'S DROPPED 70.5 TONS GP AND 28 TONS IB ON GESSERTSHAUSEN AND 12 B-24'S DROPPED 30 TONS GP AND 5 TONS IB ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY IN SOUTHERN GERMANY WITH UNOBSERVED RESULTS. 18 B-17'S DROPPED 38 TONS IB ON ULM AND STRIKE ATTACK PHOTOGRAPHS SHOW HITS ON A FIRE-FIGHTING EQUIPMENT FACTORY. IN ADDITION, 6,032,000 USG LEAFLETS WERE DROPPED OVER AUGSBURG. FLAK WAS GENERALLY MEAGER AGAINST 3RD DIVISION FORMATIONS AND MODERATE AGAINST 1ST AND 2ND DIVISIONS, WHEREAS ENEMY FIGHTER OPPOSITION WAS GENERALLY MEDIOCRE AGAINST 3RD DIVISION AND WEAK AGAINST 1ST AND 2ND DIVISION. 18 B-17'S AND 5 B-24'S ARE MISSING. ONE OF THE B-17'S DITCHED IN THE CHANNEL AND TEN CREW MEMBERS WERE RESCUED. BOMBER CLAIMS ARE NOT YET AVAILABLE.

ESCORT WAS PROVIDED BY 416 P-47'S, 90 P-51'S AND 125 P-38'S OF EIGHTH AIR FORCE SUPPLEMENTED BY 142 P-47'S AND 45 P-51'S OF NINTH AIR FORCE. INCLUDED IN THESE FIGURES ARE 77 EIGHTH AIR FORCE AND 45 NINTH AIR FORCE P-47'S WHICH FLEW SECOND SORTIES. 130 RAF SPITFIRE IX'S FURNISHED ADDITIONAL WITHDRAWAL SUPPORT. A TOTAL OF MORE THAN 200 E/A WERE SEEN AND TEN USAAF FIGHTERS - 6 P-51'S, 3 P-47'S AND 1 P-38 ARE MISSING AS AGAINST CLAIMS OF 77-7-33.

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DAILY SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS

16 MARCH, 1944

1. EIGHTH AIR FORCE - DAY 15 MARCH, 1944

OF AN AIRBORNE FORCE OF 368 HEAVY BOMBERS - 202 B-17S AND 166 B-24S - EIGHTH AIR FORCE DISPATCHED 187 B-17S AND 157 B-24S TO ATTACK TWO TARGETS IN BRUNSWICK. HEAVY UNDERCAST PREVENTED VISUAL BOMBING OF THE PRIMARY TARGETS AND THE A/C PROCEEDED TO THEIR SECONDARY TARGET, THE CITY OF BRUNSWICK, WHICH THEY BOMBED WITH THE AID OF PATHFINDER A/C THROUGH 9/10 TO 10/10 CLOUDS. 185 B-17S AND 143 B-24S ATTACKED THE SECONDARY, THE B-17S DROPPING 97.5 TONS OF G.P. AND 282 TONS OF I.B., AND THE B-24S DROPPING 84.5 TONS OF G.P. AND 277 TONS OF I.B. WITH UNOBSERVED RESULTS. STRIKE ATTACK PHOTOGRAPHS ARE LARGELY CLOUD OBSCURED BUT VISIBLE GROUND DETAILS INDICATE THAT BOMBS FELL IN THE TARGET AREA. IN ADDITION, 2 B-24S DROPPED 3 TONS OF I.B. AND .5 TONS OF G.P. ON TWO TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY NEAR BRUNSWICK WITH UNOBSERVED RESULTS. ENEMY FIGHTER OPPOSITION WAS ALSO GENERALLY WEAK AND FRIENDLY FIGHTER ESCORT WAS DESCRIBED BY BOMBER CREWS AS BEING EXCELLENT. ONE BOMB DIVISION REPORTS, "ALL PASSES WERE BROKEN UP BY THE EFFECTIVE WORK OF ALERT ESCORT". ONE B-17 AND TWO B-24S ARE MISSING. CLAIMS OF BOMBER CREWS ARE NOT YET AVAILABLE.

ESCORT WAS PROVIDED BY 331 P-47S AND 121 P-38S OF EIGHTH AIR FORCE. ADDITIONAL ESCORT WAS PROVIDED BY 136 P-47S OF NINTH AIR FORCE, 38 OF WHICH WERE ON THEIR SECOND MISSION OF THE DAY. A TOTAL OF OVER 200 E/A WERE SEEN BY THE ESCORTING FIGHTERS AND CLAIMS ARE 36-3-13 FOR THE LOSS OF FOUR P-38S, AND ONE P-47. ONE ADDITIONAL P-38 CRASHED ON TAKE-OFF.

LATE IN THE AFTERNOON, TWO P-47S, EACH LOADED WITH 2 X 1000 G.P. FUSED INSTANTANEOUSLY, TOOK OFF ON AN EXPERIMENTAL MISSION ACCOMPANIED BY SIX P-47S. THE TARGET WAS A BARGE IN THE ZUIDER ZEE AND TWO NEAR MISSES WERE OBSERVED. ALL AIRCRAFT RETURNED SAFELY.

NIGHT 15/16 MARCH, 1944

SEVEN B-17S DROPPED 5,200,000 US F 92, 95 AND 96 TYPE LEAFLETS OVER FRANCE. ALL AIRCRAFT RETURNED SAFELY.

SEVENTH PHOTOGRAPHIC GROUP RECONNAISSANCE

THREE A/C WERE ASSIGNED ON A PHOTOGRAPHIC MISSION OF THE FRENCH COAST. TWO A/C PHOTOGRAPHED ST OMER A/F, ROUGE A/F; BOULOGNE, LE TREPORT AND NOBALL TARGETS. ONE A/C LANDED AWAY FROM BASE, RESULTS AS YET UNKNOWN.

2. ALLIED EXPEDITIONARY AIR FORCE - DAY 15 MARCH, 1944

NINTH AIR FORCE

33 B-26S ON AULNOYE MARSHALLING YARDS. POOR RESULTS.
 32 B-26S ON HAINE ST PIERRE MARSHALLING YARDS. RESULTS UNOBSERVED
 53 B-26S ON CHIEVRES A/D. GOOD RESULTS.
 ESCORT WAS PROVIDED BY 108 SPITFIRES WHICH DESTROYED FOUR FW-190S ON THE GROUND. ONE SPITFIRE WAS LOST BUT NOT DUE TO ENEMY ACTION. BOMBERS MAKE NO CLAIMS AND SUFFERED NO LOSSES.
 10 B-26S ON COXYDE A/D. FAIR RESULTS. NO CLAIMS OR LOSSES.
 UNEVENTFUL ESCORT WAS PROVIDED BY 12 SPITFIRES.
 11 PHOTO RECONS. WERE FLOWN, OF WHICH SEVEN WERE SUCCESSFUL.
 THE FOLLOWING WAS IN CONJUNCTION WITH EIGHTH AIR FORCE'S DAY OPERATION:
 46 P-47S ON A SWEEP OF ALOST-HIRSON AREA. ONE JU-88 WAS DESTROYED ON THE GROUND.
 49 P-47S ON A SWEEP OF ST VALERIE-EN-CAUX. EIGHT OF THESE A/C WERE LOADED WITH 1 X 500 G.P. EACH AND SEVEN DROPPED 7 X 500 G.P. ON ST VALERIE-EN-CAUX WITH POOR TO FAIR RESULTS.

R.A.F.

4 LONG-RANGE TYPHOONS ON RANGER TO LAVAL, LE MANS AND ARGENTAN AREA, THE MISSION WAS UNEVENTFUL.

4 TYPHOONS ON SHIPPING ATTACK AT DUTCH ISLANDS. ONE VESSEL ATTACKED AND LEFT BURNING.

4 MOSQUITOES ON UNEVENTFUL ANTI-SHIPING PATROL.

24 MOSQUITOES ON CROSSBOW TARGETS. RESULTS FAIR TO GOOD. 6 SPITFIRES ACTED AS ESCORT TO EIGHT OF THE MOSQUITOES.

12 MITCHELLS, ESCORTED BY 24 TYPHOON-BOMBERS, ON CROSSBOW TARGET. RESULTS GOOD.

12 BOSTONS, ESCORTED BY 12 TYPHOONS, ON CROSSBOW TARGET. SEVEN BOSTONS FAILED TO ATTACK DUE TO WEATHER. RESULTS UNOBSERVED.

18 MITCHELLS, ESCORTED BY 12 TYPHOONS, ON CROSSBOW TARGET. RESULTS GOOD.

3. FIFTEENTH AIR FORCE - DAY 15 MARCH, 1944

IN SUPPORT OF THE FIFTH ARMY, A TOTAL OF 613 LIBERATORS AND FORTRESSES, 216 LIGHTNINGS AND 104 THUNDERBOLTS WERE DISPATCHED.

278 BOMBERS DROPPED 799.5 TONS OF G.P. ON CASSINO WITH FAIR TO EXCELLENT RESULTS.

15 A/C BOMBED SHORT OF THE TARGET DUE TO BOMB RACK FAILURES.

12 A/C BOMBED IN THE VICINITY OF VILLAROTANDA.

ESCORT WAS PROVIDED BY 99 LIGHTNINGS. IN ADDITION, 39 LIGHTNINGS PATROLLED THE CASSINO AREA. THERE WERE NO ENCOUNTERS AND NO FIGHTER LOSSES. ONE FORTRESS IS MISSING.

260 BOMBERS, ESCORTED BY 110 LIGHTNINGS, WERE DISPATCHED TO ATTACK OTHER FIFTH ARMY TARGETS. DUE TO 10/10 CLOUDS OVER THEIR TARGETS ALL A/C RETURNED TO BASE WITHOUT BOMBING.

99 THUNDERBOLTS FLEW TWO MISSIONS IN THE VITERBO-CANINO AREA WITHOUT INCIDENT.

3 LIGHTNINGS ON WEATHER RECONS. IN THE ROME-CASSINO AREA, BUDAPEST AREA AND SOUTH GERMANY.

4 LIGHTNINGS FLEW PHOTO RECONS. ONE PILOT WAS INTERCEPTED IN THE NAPLES AREA BY THREE E/A AND FORCED TO CRASH LAND. PILOT IS SAFE.

4. G.A.F. ACTIVITIES OVER ENGLAND - NIGHT 15/16 MARCH, 1944

APPROXIMATELY 15 E/A OPERATED OVER SCATTERED AREAS OF KENT, SUSSEX, SURREY AND ESSEX BETWEEN THE HOURS OF 2045-2122 HOURS. 5 PENETRATED THE GREATER LONDON AREA AND A FEW BOMBS WERE DROPPED. SLIGHT DAMAGE AND A FEW CASUALTIES ARE REPORTED.

5. R.A.F. Bomber Command - NIGHT 15/16 MARCH, 1944

863 A/C ON STUTTGART. 38 MISSING AND 5 CRASHED IN ENGLAND.

140 A/C ON AMIENS MARSHALLING YARDS. 3 ARE MISSING AND 2 CRASHED IN ENGLAND.

22 A/C ON WOIPPY (NEAR METS)

10 A/C ON MUNICH AS SPOOF

7 A/C ON RUHR.

10 A/C ON BELGIAN AIRFIELDS.

10 A/C ON INTRUDER PATROL. 1 MISSING.

2 A/C SEA MINING.

18 A/C PLUS 7 FORTRESSES DROPPING LEAFLETS ON FRANCE

1 A/C ON WEATHER RECCE.

33 A/C ON SPECIAL OPERATIONS.

TOTAL 1116 A/C PLUS 7 FORTRESSES. 42 MISSING. 7 CRASHED IN ENGLAND.

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DAILY SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS

17 MARCH, 1944

1. EIGHTH AIR FORCE - DAY 16 MARCH, 1944

384) EIGHTH AIR FORCE DISPATCHED 740 HEAVY BOMBERS - 501 B-17'S AND 239 B-24'S - TO ATTACK TARGETS IN SOUTHERN GERMANY. 548 B-17'S AND 260 B-24'S WERE AIRBORNE ON THIS OPERATION. FINDING THEIR PRIMARY TARGETS OBSCURED BY 10/10 CLOUDS, THE AIRCRAFT PROCEEDED TO THEIR SECONDARY TARGETS, AUGSBURG AND FRIEDRICHSHAFEN. 401 B-17'S DROPPED 670.5 TONS GP AND 230.5 TONS IB ON AUGSBURG, THEIR SECONDARY TARGET, AND 195 B-24'S DROPPED 246 TONS GP AND 253 TONS IB ON FRIEDRICHSHAFEN, WHICH WAS THE LIBERATOR'S SECONDARY TARGET. BOMBING RESULTS WERE UNOBSERVED DUE TO 8/10 TO 10/10 CLOUD OVER THE TARGETS, AND THE COMBINATION OF CLOUDS AND SNOW IN THE STRIKE ATTACK PHOTOGRAPHS MAKES ACCURATE ASSESSMENT OF DAMAGE UNAVAILABLE AT THIS TIME. 46 B-17'S DROPPED 70.5 TONS GP AND 28 TONS IB ON GESSERTSHAUSEN AND 12 B-24'S DROPPED 30 TONS GP AND 5 TONS IB ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY IN SOUTHERN GERMANY WITH UNOBSERVED RESULTS. 18 B-17'S DROPPED 38 TONS IB ON ULM AND STRIKE ATTACK PHOTOGRAPHS SHOW HITS ON A FIRE-FIGHTING EQUIPMENT FACTORY. IN ADDITION, 6,032,000 USG LEAFLETS WERE DROPPED OVER AUGSBURG. FLAK WAS GENERALLY MEAGER AGAINST 3RD DIVISION FORMATIONS AND MODERATE AGAINST 1ST AND 2ND DIVISIONS, WHEREAS ENEMY FIGHTER OPPOSITION WAS GENERALLY MEDIOCRE AGAINST 3RD DIVISION AND WEAK AGAINST 1ST AND 2ND DIVISION. 18 B-17'S AND 5 B-24'S ARE MISSING. ONE OF THE B-17'S DITCHED IN THE CHANNEL AND TEN CREW MEMBERS WERE RESCUED. BOMBER CLAIMS ARE NOT YET AVAILABLE.

ESCORT WAS PROVIDED BY 416 P-47'S, 90 P-51'S AND 125 P-38'S OF EIGHTH AIR FORCE SUPPLEMENTED BY 142 P-47'S AND 45 P-51'S OF NINTH AIR FORCE. INCLUDED IN THESE FIGURES ARE 17 EIGHTH AIR FORCE AND 45 NINTH AIR FORCE P-47'S WHICH FLEW SECOND SORTIES. 130 RAF SPITFIRE IX'S FURNISHED ADDITIONAL WITHDRAWAL SUPPORT. A TOTAL OF MORE THAN 200 E/A WERE SEEN AND TEN USAAF FIGHTERS - 6 P-51'S, 3 P-47'S AND 1 P-38 ARE MISSING AS AGAINST CLAIMS OF 77-7-33.

NIGHT 16/17 MARCH, 1944

NO OPERATIONS BY FIGHTERS OR BOMBERS.

SEVENTH PHOTOGRAPHIC GROUP RECONNAISSANCE

9 A/C WERE DISPATCHED ON PHOTO RECON. OF FRANCE AND GERMANY. DUE TO ADVERSE WEATHER ONLY 2 A/C WERE ABLE TO CARRY OUT THEIR ASSIGNMENTS. PHOTOS WERE TAKEN OF BOURGES AREA, ISSY/LES MOLENEAUX A/F, LE BOURGET A/F, COMPIEGNE AREA, AND AMIENS/GLISY AND MERVILLE A/FS. 2 A/C WERE LOST TO REASONS UNKNOWN.

2. ALLIED EXPEDITIONARY AIR FORCE - DAY 16 MARCH, 1944

NINTH AIR FORCE

ALL BOMBER OPERATIONS CANCELLED BECAUSE OF WEATHER.

2 MUSTANGS ON WEATHER RECONNAISSANCE OVER FRANCE.

8 MUSTANGS ON PHOTO RECONNAISSANCE.

3 P-38'S ON PHOTO RECONNAISSANCE.

39 P-47'S ON AN UNEVENTFUL SWEEP OF THE LILLE-AMIENS AREA.

R.A.F.

2 TYPHOONS TO NW FRANCE. SHOT UP A LOCOMOTIVE AND A PETROL TANK. 1 LOST.

4 TYPHOONS ON ANTI-SHIPING PATROLS.

26 R.P. TYPHOONS ON SPECIAL TARGET IN OSTEND. RADAR STATION SHOT UP.

8 SPITIFRES ON SHIPPING RECONNAISSANCE IN DEN HELDER AREA.

16 TYPHOONS ON SWEEP OF THE PARIS AREA.

19 MOSQUITOES ON CROSSBOWS. ONLY 5 ATTACKED ONE CROSSBOW WITH GODXXXXX GOOD RESULTS. 14 ABANDONED DUE TO WEATHER.

5. FIFTEENTH AIR FORCE - DAY 16 MARCH, 1944

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47 B-17'S ESCORTED BY 34 P-38'S WERE DISPATCHED ON GROUND SUPPORT OF TARGETS IN CENTRAL ITALY. XXXXX ITALY. 10/10 CLOUD CAUSED THE A/C TO RETURN WITHOUT BOMBING.

HEAVY RAINS THE PREVIOUS NIGHT RENDERED THE MAJORITY OF THE BASES UNSERVICEABLE, AND THERE WERE NO OTHER OPERATIONS.

THE MAJORITY OF THE BASES UNSERVICEABLE, AND THERE WERE NO OTHER OPERATIONS.

NIGHT 15/16 MARCH, 1944

53 WELLINGTONS. 5 LIBERATORS AND 9 HALIFAXES WERE DISPATCHED TO ATTACK THE SOFIA MARSHALLING YARDS. RI A/C DROPPED 97 TONS ON THE PRIMARY TARGET WITH GOOD RESULTS. BAD WEATHER CAUSED DISPERSED LANDING OF A/C RETURNING FROM THE OPERATION AND REPORTS FROM SIX A/C ARE STILL OUTSTANDING.

4. G.A.F. ACTIVITIES OVER ENGLAND - NIGHT 16/17 MARCH, 1944

NIL.9

5. R.A.F. BOMBER COMMAND - 16/17 MARCH, 1944

130 A/V ON AMIENS MARSHALLING YARDS - NONE MISSING.

2 MOSQUITOES ON FIGHTER SUPPORT.

21 A/C ON CLERMONT-FERRAND TIRE FACTORY - NONE MISSING.

8 MOSQUITOES ON COLOGNE - NONE MISSING.

1 MOSQUITOE ON DUISBURG.

3 A/C MINELAYING.9

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MARCH, 1944.

OPERATIONAL INTELLIGENCE 16TH MARCH, 1944.

STAF OPERATIONS: 15 MARCH:

EIGHTH AIR FORCE: 187 B-17S AND 157 B-24S WERE DISPATCHED ON
D TARGETS IN BRUNSWICK, BUT CLOUD COVER MADE IT IMPOSSIBLE TO
IDENTIFY THE PRIMARIES AND THE CITY OF BRUNSWICK WAS ATTACKED;
AIMS WERE 3 ENEMY AIRCRAFT DAMAGED; ONE B-17 AND 2 B-24S ARE
MISSING. 331 P-47S AND 121 P-38S OF 8TH AIR FORCE AND 136 P-47S

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KX OF 9TH AIR FORCE ESCORTED CLAIMING 36-3-13 FOR LOSS OF
P-38S AND ONE P-47.

AT NIGHT, 7 B-17S DROPPED LEAFLETS OVER FRANCE.

MARCH: 15TH AIR FORCE: 613 B-17S AND B-24S ESCORTED BY 216
38S AND 104 P-47S WERE DISPATCHED IN OPERATIONS IN SUPPORT OF
E 5TH ARMY. ATTACKS WERE MADE ON CASSINO, VICINITY OF VENAFRO
D VILLAROTONDA; ONE B-17 MISSING.

WESTERN EUROPEAN THEATER: 15 MARCH:

ALLIED EXPEDITIONARY AIR FORCE: 33 NINTH AIR FORCE B-26S
ATTACKED THE RAILWAY CENTER OF AULNOYE, 36 ATTACKED CHIEVRES
AIRFIELD, 32 THE ENGINEERING AND WAGON FACTORY AT HAINE ST. PIERRE
D 10 BOMBED COXYDE AIRFIELD. R.A.F. TYPHOONS AND SPITFIRES
ESCORTED AND CLAIMED 4-0-1 FOR LOSS OF ONE SPITFIRE.

NIGHT 15/16 MARCH: R.A.F. BOMBER COMMAND LANCASTERS, HALIFAXES
D MOSQUITOES IN LARGE FORCE ATTACKED STUTTGART AND AMIENS/LONGUEAU
RSHALLING YARDS; 41 AIRCRAFT MISSING; 7 CRASHED IN UNITED
KINGDOM.

NIGHT 15/16 MARCH: ENEMY ACTIVITY: 15 ENEMY AIRCRAFT OPERATED
OVER SOUTHERN ENGLAND, 5 PENETRATING TO GREATER LONDON AREA; FEW
OTHER INCIDENTS REPORTED; ONE JU-88 DESTROYED BY INTRUDERS.
TOTAL NUMBER OF ENEMY AIRCRAFT DESTROYED ON RAID OF NIGHT 14/15
MARCH IS NOW 13.

MEDITERRANEAN THEATER: 15 MARCH:

GROUND OPERATIONS: ITALY: ON THE 5TH ARMY FRONT IN THE
CASSINO AREA A HEAVY ATTACK WAS LAUNCHED BY ALLIED FORCES AFTER AN
EXTENSIVE AERIAL ASSAULT BY THE 15TH AIR FORCE. AT
ST REPORTS HEAVY FIGHTING WAS UNDERWAY IN THE TOWN.

IN THE ANZIO BRIDGEHEAD AREA, U.S. TROOPS ADVANCED A HALF
MILE AND CAPTURED TWO STRONG POINTS IN THE CARROCCETTO
AREA.

EASTERN EUROPEAN FRONT: 15 MARCH:

RUSSIAN ARMIES CONTINUED THEIR ADVANCES IN ALL SECTORS OF THE UKRAINIAN FRONT. IN THE VINNITSA AREA, THEY OCCUPIED FOUR DISTRICT CENTERS - KALINOVKA, TURGOV, OLGOPOL AND OBODOVKA AND FIVE RAILWAY STATIONS.

SOUTHWEST OF UMAN, THE SECOND UKRAINIAN FRONT TROOPS CROSSED THE BUG RIVER IN A 60 MILE FRONT, BREAKING ENEMY RESISTANCE ON THE RIGHT BANK AND ARE WITHIN 25 MILES OF THE DNIESTER AND THE OLD RUMANIAN FRONTIER. THE TOWNS OF BERSHAT AND TROSTINETZ WERE CAPTURED.

SOUTH OF UMAN, THE RUSSIANS OCCUPIED GRUSHKA AND GOLOVANEVKA, DISTRICT CENTERS OF THE ODESSA REGION.

WEST OF KIROVOGRAD, THE DISTRICT CENTER OF TISHKOVKO AND 60 OTHER LOCALITIES WERE TAKEN.

WEST OF KOLINSKYAYA, THE RUSSIANS CAPTURED 50 LOCALITIES WHILE WEST OF KHERSON, BEREZNEGOVATOYE AND SNEGIREVKA DISTRICT CENTERS OF THE NIKOLAYEV AREA WERE TAKEN AND ANNIHILATION OF THE TRAPPED GERMAN UNITS HAS BEGUN.

SOUTHWESTERN PACIFIC THEATER: 14 MARCH:

IN NEW GUINEA, OUR HEAVY AND MEDIUM BOMBERS AGAIN ATTACKED BORAM AIRFIELD IN THE WEWAK AREA, INFLECTING HEAVY DAMAGE AND SHOOTING DOWN 8 ENEMY PLANES. IN THE MINTJIM VALLEY ADVANCE UNITS OF OUR GROUND FORCES HAVE REACHED THE DAUMONIA AREA.

IN NEW BRITAIN, OUR BOMBERS ATTACKED INSTALLATIONS IN THE RABAU AREA AND FIGHTERS STRAFED TOBERA AIRFIELD.

IN NEW IRELAND, OUR NIGHT PATROLS BOMBED KAVIENG, NAMATANAI AND CAPE ST. GEORGE.

IN THE SOLOMONS, OUR TORPEDO AND DIVE BOMBERS ATTACKED ENEMY POSITIONS NORTHEAST OF TOROKINA ON BOUGAINVILLE.

IN THE CENTRAL PACIFIC, U.S. PLANES 13 MARCH ATTACKED OROLUK ATOLL IN THE CAROLINES.

INDIA-BURMA AND FAR EAST:

AIRCRAFT OF AIR COMMAND, SOUTHEAST ASIA, 13 AND 14 MARCH ATTACKED AN ENEMY HEADQUARTERS AT HOMLIN IN THE T UPPER CHINDWIN, TROOP CONCENTRATIONS IN THE CHIN HILLS, CAMP AND SUPPLY DUMP NEAR KAMAING, BUILDINGS AND ROLLING STOCK AT NAMTI, TARGETS IN SHADUZUP AREA, RIVERCRAFT IN THE PAUK/PAKOKKU/GANGAW AREA, TARGETS AT WUNTHO AND RAILWAY INSTALLATIONS AT MEZA.

ENEMY ATTACKS ON SHIPPING:

THE SUBMARINE SITUATION REMAINS QUIET. TWO CONVOYS HAVE ARRIVED IN UNITED KINGDOM.

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1 NONE

2. BOMBING RESULTS ON SECONDARY TARGET UNOBSERVED. ALL BOMBING WAS DONE ON PFF MARKERS USED IN OVERCAST BOMBING TECHNIQUE. ONE GROUPS SAV PHOTOS SHOW A FEW BOMB BURSTS ON END OF MARSHALING YD IN CITY OF ULM

3. 4 A WING

THIS WING REPORTS SIGHTING ABOUT 200 E/A FROM ABOUT 4850 N 0440 E TO TARGET AREA AND BACK TO 4820 N 0800 E ATTACKS WERE MADE BY ALL TYPES OF E/A ATTACKING FROM OUT OF THE SUN USING HEAD-ON AND TAIL ATTACKS. E/A PILOTS WERE PERSISTENT IN THEIR ATTACKS AND APPEARED TO BE EXPERIENCED. THE ATTACKS CAN BE BE ROUGHLY DIVIDED INTO THREE PHASES. THE FIRST PHASE BEGAN AT 1037 HOURS NEAR 4850 N 0440 E AND WAS MADE BY ABOUT 50/70 S/E E/A AND LASTED FOR ABOUT 40 MINUTES. THE SECOND PHASE BEGAN AT 1140 HOURS AND WAS MADE BY 25 S/E E/A AND 50/60 T/E E/A (JU 88S AND ME 410S). THE THIRD PHASE WAS PRIMARILY MADE BY T/E E/A ABOUT 60 IN NUMBER (JU 88S AND ME 410S) AT 1234 HOURS NEAR 4815 N 1035 E THE N S/E E/A MADE SPORADIC ATTACKS ALONG ROUTE BACK TO FRENCH BORDER. GROUPS REPORTED T/E USING ROCKETS WHILE OUT OF RANGE AND THEN CLOSING WITH 20 MM.

EST CLAIMS 15-7-8

4 B WING

THIS WING REPORTS SIGHTING ABOUT 100 PLUS BEGINNING AT 1037 HOURS AT 4840 N 0410 E AND LASTING TO TARGET AREA. THESE E/A WERE MAINLY COMPOSED OF FW 190S AND ME 110S WITH A FEW ME 410S AND JU 88S, ATTACKS WERE MADE SPORADICALLY AND NOT PRESSED HOME WITH MAJORITY OF ATTACKS BEING IN THE TARGET AREA.

EST CLAIMS 6-3-1

45 C.W.

THIS WING REPORTS SIGHTING ABOUT 30 TO 40 T/E AND 10 S/E E/A ON MISSION ALONG ENTIRE ROUTE. ATTACKS WERE MADE BY S/E E/A SINGLY AND INTERMITTENTLY ON ROUTE TO TARGET AND ALMOST TO FRENCH COAST ON ROUTE BACK. ABOUT 20 T/E E/A ME 110S AND ME 410S MADE A ROCKET ATTACK NEAR IP. ATTACKS WERE NOT VERY AGGRESSIVE.

EST CLAIMS 8-4-1

13 C.W.

THIS WING SIGHTED APPROXIMATELY 60 E/A COMPRISED OF ABOUT 30 S/E AND 30 T/E E/A. S/E E/A BEGAN MAKING INTERMITTENT PASSES AND ATTACKS NEAR 4840 N 0435 E AT 1038 HOURS AFTER HAVING ATTACKED WINGS AHEAD. THESE ATTACKS BY S/E CONTINUED SPASMODICALLY ALONG ENTIRE ROUTE AND ALMOST TO FRENCH COAST ON RETURN. INTENSE ROCKET ATTACKS BY T/E MOSTLY ME 110S WAS REPORT FROM VICINITY OF NORDLINGEN TO IP LASTING FROM 1150 TO 1205 HOURS. THESE E/A WOULD LINE UP IN FORMTIONS OF 3, 4, 5, ABREAST AND FIRE ROCKETS FROM 3 O'CLOCK POSITION. CREWS REPORTED SEEING ME 110S AS FIRING TWO ROCKETS WHILE A FEW JU 88S WERE REPORTED AS FIRING 4 ROCKETS. ATTACKS WERE AGGRESSIVE BUT NOT PRESSED HOME VICIOUSLY.

EST CLAIMS 16-6-3

F 4. ALL FLAK ENCOUNTERED TODAY WAS REPORTED AS INACCURATE WITH THE (EXCK) 91 9,3 & 4970 5-5 43094538 .3-243, ACCURATE FLAK AT NORDLINGEN. THE INACCURATE FLAK WAS OBSERVED AT:

EXCEPTION OF ONE GROUP THAT REPORTED MEAGRE

AUGSBURG.....	MODERATE
STRASBOURG.....	MEAGRE
EPERNAY.....	MEAGRE
COMPEIGNE.....	MEAGRE
NORDLINGEN....	MEAGRE
CHALLONS.....	MEAGRE
ABBEVILLE.....	MEAGRE
LE TREPORT....	MEAGRE
CHARLEROI.....	MEAGRE
AMIENS.....	MEAGRE
RHEIMS.....	MEAGRE

GROUND ROCKETS WERE OBSERVED IN THE TARGET AREA AND ALSO NORTH OF PARIS

5. 4/10 TO 10/10 UNDERCAST ENCOUNTERED THROUGHOUT ROUTE OVER CONTINENT INCREASING IN DENSITY TOWARD THE SECONDARY TARGET WITH CLOUD TOPS FROM 6000 TO 12000 FEET. 8/10 TO 10/10 UNDERCAST ENCOUNTERED OVER THE SECONDARY TARGET AND 5/10 UNDERCAST OVER TARGET OF OPPORTUNITY. PERSISTENT CONTRAILS REPORTED FROM I. P. TO R. P. AND GROUND HAZE PERSISTED THROUGHOUT THE MISSION.

6. LARGE FACTORY REPORTED OBSERVED AT 4828-0704E WITH A/F IN SAME AREA. SOUTH OF ARTONGES IN THE VICINITY OF 4855-0335E BUILDINGS, APPEARING TO BE PART OF A MILITARY INSTALLATION, WERE OBSERVED IN A LARGE CLEARING IN WOODS.

7. FIGHTER SUPPORT TO TARGET REPORTED AS GENERALLY GOOD BY CREWS BUT LAPSE IN SUPPORT WAS NOTED GOING IN AND OUT OF THE TARGET AREA FOR AS LONG AS AN HOUR AND A HALF PROBABLY DUE TO TACTICS ADOPTED BY SOME E/A OF SUCKING OUT ESCORT AND ENGAGING FRIENDLY FIGHTERS IN COMBAT WHILE OTHER E/A ATTACKED FORMATIONS BETWEEN GAPS IN ESCORT.

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TARGET: William (Sammy) . DATE OF ATTACK: 20 March 1966

- Altitude of Low A/C
- 10,000'

REMARKS:

- 10/16 Undercast

4. No. of I/C over target 30 plus 1. 100

5. A/C damaged by, and/or lost to flak:

A/C No.	Height	Classification	Brief Description (i.e. place lost, extent of damage, etc.)

S-2 36/16/9/43

7. How long did formation fly straight and level before bombing?

25 seconds

8. Turn after bombing. (Course away from target)

To right to 277°

9. Short description of evasive action in target area.

After dropping to 60, flak was in front of us, so we "p" to the right.

10. A description of flak en route and at target, including if possible, suggestions as to type of fire control employed. Include herein any phenomena or comments.

Flak was not reported encountered at the coast on the route in and out. At Sperry 4/V about 8 or 10 bursts were observed coming up at another group off to our left. Weaker and inaccurate flak was observed at Strasbourg and was to our left at a position around 0800 clock. At Bonneworth light continuous following type flak of about 20 to 30 bursts was observed. In the target area a moderate barrage low with a few white bursts high was encountered but was inaccurate. On the route out 12 bursts of flak about two bursts at a time and level was encountered at Sperry 4/V. In the vicinity of Felix about six bursts was observed coming up at a distance from the position of 0800 clock.

Between the IP and the target a smoke attack was carried out by rocket carrying Judd's and Bell's. The Judd's were reported carrying 4 rockets and the Bell's carrying 2 rockets.

STATISTICAL FLAK FORM
For Lead Ships Only

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TARGET _____ DATE OF ATTACK _____

PILOT'S NAME PFF NAVIGATOR _____ A/C NO. _____

1. The 100th A Group flew (high-lead-low) of the 13th() C.W. in 3rd B.D. Formation.
The 100th B Group flew (high-lead-low) " " " () " " " " " "

2. Altitude over Target -

	A Group	B Group
Lead A/C	<u>20,000</u>	_____
Highest "	<u>20,300</u>	_____
Lowest "	<u>19,800</u>	_____

3. True Heading on Bomb Run 237°

4. Ground Speed on Bomb Run 270

5. Flew Straight and Level before Bombing 60 sec. _____ sec.

6. Time Bombs Away 1223

7. Turn from Target after Bombing RIGHT

8. True Course Away from Target 277

9. Brief Description of Evasive Action in Target Area: NOT MUCH. AFTER DROPPING
BOMBS THE FLAK WAS IN FRONT OF US SO WE S TO THE RIGHT

10. Visibility at Target: GOOD ABOVE OVERCAST. 10/10 CLOUD COVERAGE

11. ACTUAL ROUTE FLOWN OVER ENEMY TERRITORY: Must be exact and give check points.

TIME	COORDINATES	TRUE HEADING	GROUND SPEED	REMARKS
0945	5005-0125	192°	204	NORTH OF BRIEFED COURSE
1031	4854-0404	99°	200	FOUR TO FIVE MILES N OF COURSE
1122	4822-0803	80°	200	N OF COURSE
1137	4826-0902	52°	186	SLIGHTLY N OF COURSE
1206	4852-1100	130°		FROM THERE A CIRCLING TURN TO TARGET
1223	48 TARGET	237°	210	12 MIN LATE
1227	4824-1040	291°	166	LATE - ON COURSE
1243	4832-1000	277°	166	SOUTH OF BRIEFED COURSE
1257	4818-0838	260°	174	" " " "
1311	4819-0745	300°	158	" " " "
1410	4855-0420	281°		10 MILES N OF COURSE
1411	4855-0355	309°	103	N OF COURSE
1500	5003-0120	311°	158	TO ENGLISH COAST

INTERROGATING OFFICER

A. J. BAUMAN

STATISTICAL FLAK FORM
For Lead Ships Only

TARGET _____

DATE OF ATTACK _____

PILOT'S NAME _____

SHIP NO. _____

1. The 100th _____ Group flew as (high, lead, low) group of the _____ C.W. in the _____ A.T.F.

Altitude of Lead A/C over Target _____

Altitude of High A/C over Target _____

Altitude of Low A/C over Target _____

2. ACTUAL ROUTE flown over enemy territory giving names of towns if possible, where not possible give coordinates. (No course is flown exactly as briefed.)

3. Visibility at target (Condensation trails, clouds, etc.)

4. Axis of bomb run _____

5. Time bombs away _____

6. How long did formation fly straight and level before bombing?

7. Turn after bombing (course away from target)

8. Brief description of evasive action in target area.

Reporting Officer _____

S-2 50-8/1/44

STATISTICAL FLAK FORM
For Lead Ships Only

TARGET _____ DATE OF ATTACK _____

PILOT'S NAME Mason NAVIGATOR _____ A/C NO. _____

1. The 100th A Group flew (high-lead-low) of the 13th() C.W. in 3rd B.D. Formation.
The 100th B Group flew (high-lead-low) " " " () " " " " "

2. Altitude over Target -

	Lead	A/C	A Group	B Group
Highest	"	"	_____	_____
Lowest	"	"	_____	_____

3. True Heading on Bomb Run _____

4. Ground Speed on Bomb Run _____

5. Flew Straight and Level before Bombing _____ sec. _____ sec.

6. Time Bombs Away _____

7. Turn from Target after Bombing _____

8. True Course Away from Target _____

9. Brief Description of Evasive Action in Target Area: _____

10. Visibility at Target: - _____

11. ACTUAL ROUTE FLOWN OVER ENEMY TERRITORY: Must be exact and give check points.

TIME	COORDINATES	TRUE HEADING	GROUND SPEED	REMARKS
0954	LE TREPAN	190	196	N OF COURSE
1030	4852-0400	122	219	
1206	51NGEN	50	181	
1217	INGLOSTAT	97	187	IP
1223	AUGSBURG	255	189	TARG.
1411	ESPERNA	273	154	
1500	LE TREPAN	308	187	COAST OUT

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INTERROGATING OFFICER _____

STATISTICAL FLAK FORM
For Lead Ships Only

TARGET _____ DATE OF ATTACK _____

PILOT'S NAME _____ SHIP NO. _____

1. The 100th _____ Group flew as (high, lead, low) group of the _____ C.W. in the _____ A.T.F.

Altitude of Lead A/C over Target _____

Altitude of High A/C over Target _____

Altitude of Low A/C over Target _____

2. ACTUAL ROUTE flown over enemy territory giving names of towns if possible, where not possible give coordinates. (No course is flown exactly as briefed.)

3. Visibility at target (Condensation trails, clouds, etc.)

4. Axis of bomb run _____

5. Time bombs away _____

6. How long did formation fly straight and level before bombing?

7. Turn after bombing (course away from target)

8. Brief description of evasive action in target area.

Reporting Officer _____

S-2 50-8/1/44

STATISTICAL FLAK FORM
For Lead Ships Only

TARGET _____ DATE OF ATTACK _____

PILOT'S NAME Cope NAVIGATOR _____ A/C NO. _____

1. The 100th A Group flew (high-lead-low) of the 13th() C.W. in 3rd B.D. Formation.
The 100th B Group flew (high-lead-low) " " " () " " " " " "

2. Altitude over Target -

	A Group	B Group
Lead A/C	_____	_____
Highest "	_____	_____
Lowest "	<u>1950</u>	_____

3. True Heading on Bomb Run 221

4. Ground Speed on Bomb Run 210

5. Flew Straight and Level before Bombing 60 sec. _____ sec.

6. Time Bombs Away 1222 1/2

7. Turn from Target after Bombing 50

8. True Course Away from Target 270

9. Brief Description of Evasive Action in Target Area: Changes in course only.

10. Visibility at Target: Nil

11. ACTUAL ROUTE FLOWN OVER ENEMY TERRITORY: Must be exact and give check points.

TIME	COORDINATES	TRUE HEADING	GROUND SPEED	REMARKS
0957	5000-0115	127	270	
1030	4853-0407	112	190	
1121	80 mi - 80 S of Stra strong	780	190	
1153	4840-1010	148	170	
1206	8 mi SW of Wuzhen			
	Bung	170	200	
1222 1/2	Target	221	210	
1237	10 mi N	268	170	

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(Cohen)

STATISTICAL FLAK FORM
For Lead Ships Only

TARGET _____ DATE OF ATTACK _____

PILOT'S NAME _____ SHIP NO. _____

1. The 100th _____ Group flew as (high, lead, low) group of the _____ C.W. in the _____ A.T.F.

Altitude of Lead A/C over Target _____

Altitude of High A/C over Target _____

Altitude of Low A/C over Target _____

2. ACTUAL ROUTE flown over enemy territory giving names of towns if possible, where not possible give coordinates. (No course is flown exactly as briefed.)

1313 170
1413 170
500 170

3. Visibility at target (Condensation trails, clouds, etc.)

4. Axis of bomb run _____

5. Time bombs away _____

6. How long did formation fly straight and level before bombing?

7. Turn after bombing (course away from target)

8. Brief description of evasive action in target area.

Reporting Officer _____

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STATISTICAL FLAK FORM
For Lead Ships Only

TARGET _____ DATE OF ATTACK _____

PILOT'S NAME Guinness NAVIGATOR _____ A/C NO. 895

1. The 100th A Group flew (high-lead-low) of the 13th() C.M. in 3rd B.D. Formation.
The 100th B Group flew (high-lead-low) " " " () " " " " "

2. Altitude over Target -

	A Group	B Group
Lead A/C	<u>19950</u>	
Highest "	<u>20250</u>	
Lowest "	<u>19650</u>	

3. True Heading on Bomb Run 235°

4. Ground Speed on Bomb Run 150 IAS

5. Flew Straight and Level before Bombing 90 sec. _____ sec.

6. Time Bombs Away 1222

7. Turn from Target after Bombing 55° rt. turn

8. True Course Away from Target 290°

9. Brief Description of Evasive Action in Target Area: none other than
sharp rt. turn.

10. Visibility at Target: _____

11. ACTUAL ROUTE FLOWN OVER ENEMY TERRITORY: Must be exact and give check points.

TIME	COORDINATES	TRUE HEADING	GROUND SPEED	REMARKS
0954	50-05 N 01-27 E	125	219	
1031	48-50 N 04-00 E	90	15	150 IAS 19500' alt
1121	48-20 N 08-00 E	65		✓ ✓
	48-20 N 09-00 E	20°		✓ -
1206	48-55 N 10-55 E	115		✓ -
1214	48-45 N 11-08 E	180		-
1222	Augsburg	290		-
1230	48-29 N 10-21 E	270		- started let down
1305	48-28 N 08-00 E	286		165 14500'

Flew approx 5 mi. W. of course to ~~get~~ get back to coast

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INTERROGATING OFFICER _____

STATISTICAL FLAK FORM
For Lead Ships Only

TARGET _____

DATE OF ATTACK _____

PILOT'S NAME _____

SHIP NO. _____

1. The 100th _____ Group flew as (high, lead, low) group of the _____ C.W. in the _____ A.T.F.

Altitude of Lead A/C over Target _____

Altitude of High A/C over Target _____

Altitude of Low A/C over Target _____

2. ACTUAL ROUTE flown over enemy territory giving names of towns if possible, where not possible give coordinates. (No course is flown exactly as briefed.)

3. Visibility at target (Condensation trails, clouds, etc.)

4. Axis of bomb run _____

5. Time bombs away _____

6. How long did formation fly straight and level before bombing?

7. Turn after bombing (course away from target)

8. Brief description of evasive action in target area.

Reporting Officer _____

S-2 50-8/1/44

DESCRIPTIVE FLAK FORM

TARGET GABLINGEN (Anglem)DATE OF ATTACK Mar 16thPILOT'S NAME Harper J.C.

SHIP NO. _____

TIME	PLACE	ALTITUDE	READING	DESCRIPTION OF FLAK GIVING LOW - ABOVE BELOW-CLOCK POSITION
1036	EPERNAY	19,900	1300	8-10 bursts low at 8 o'clock on another group - when bursts red flames all at once merge
1222	Target	19,900	2450	at 12 o'clock - all about and all low - scattered bursts more so than ever before - 3 rockets seen white smoke streamer coming from the ground to a higher level than formation - then exploded in red streamers - Some did not explode
1411	EPERNAY	14,900	3000	at 12 o'clock level - bursts 9-2-3 - about 12 in all -
1454	4954-0138	13,400	3150	6 bursts at 9:30 - second mile away - low merge

DATE OF ATTACK

SEP MO.

PLACE

ALTIITUDE

LEADING

DESCRIPTION OF PLAK CIVILIC LEVEL--ABOVE
EIGHT-O'CLOCK POSITION OF PLAK 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12

1115

4819-0200

20000

91°

Small at 70 c. m. meagre
about 16 bursts single

over Target.

20000

230

Level and above and below-
intense bursts of 2 and 3 and
one of four. Seemed to be mostly
in front.

1455

Dierpe

14000

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So level and to right, about
29 bursts. came in two bursts
seemed to be tracking.

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Reporting Officer

DESCRIPTIVE FLAK FORM

TACOM

DATE OF ATTACK

PILOT'S NAME

Morgan

SHIP NO.

TIME

PLACE

ALTITUDE

HEADING

DESCRIPTION OF FLAK GIVING DATA - ABOVE
BELOW-CLOCK POSITION1117 THE IN RIVER
STRAVSBURG?

19900 100°

13 BURSTS - LOW AT 8.50 OC
BATT. OF 3. MESSIAH1223
1224 TARGET

70000 284

UNWINDABLE - AW AROUND
CLOCK - TRACKING WITH
3'S - 6-712 OC - BATTAGE
ALSO - INTENSE

Reporting Officer

For King

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DATE OF ATTACK _____

SHP NO. _____

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Reporting Officer _____

DESCRIPTIVE FLAK FORM

TARGET

Augsburg

DATE OF ATTACK

16 Nov 44

PILOT'S NAME

McKay

SHIP NO.

830

TIME

PLACE

ALTITUDE READING

DESCRIPTION OF FLAK GIVING LEVEL - ABOVE
BELOW-CLOCK POSITION

1110

Straubing

1700

88°

medium - level - not
damaging

1212

Augsburg

2000

135°

1212 to 1217. Heavy but
not accurate - low &
very high - my dropped
shot - high burst
while burst.

1410

(airfield)
Epperey

1700

298°

flying 3 mi. south - saw
bursts at at time -
level

Reporting Officer

[Signature]

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DATE OF ATTACK _____

S. HP NO.

TIME	PLACE	ALTITUDE	HEADING	BELLY-CLOCK POSITION	REMARKS
1000	1000	1000	1000	1000	1000

1410	Chemigny.	12000	TH. 277	Wagon and its right about 1100 singles.
1223	Target.	20000	TH. 240	all around but not near as heavy as was briefed - moderate observed Rockets being fired.

Reporting Officer

DESCRIPTIVE FLAK REPORT

TARGET

Angslung

DATE OF ATTACK

Mar 16th 44

PILOT'S NAME

Boordlyt

SHIP NO.

TIME

PLACE

ALTITUDE

READING

DESCRIPTION OF FLAK GIVING LINE - ABOVE
BELOW-CLOCK POSITION1:23Target19,600 243

Most fire on a range
 ahead of us - scattered
 bursts low - most for
 SE side of city -
 3 red bursts seen - but
 think it was flares

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Reporting Officer

[Signature]

DESCRIPTIVE FLAK FORM

TARGET _____

DATE OF ATTACK _____

PILOT'S NAME Kruske

SHIP NO. _____

TIME

PLACE

ALTITUDE

READING

DESCRIPTION OF FLAK GIVING LEVEL-ABOVE
BELOW-CLOCK POSITION

1223

Lapok

19300

245

many bursts seemed
to be fair type
seemed to him that
believe was a V-bomber
all was low but
accurate as to range
it was extremely close
only one flash hole

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Reporting Officer _____

DATE OF ATTACK 16/3/44

SHEET NO. 537

3-2 49-8/1/44

Reporting Officer Capt. Hallinan

DESCRIPTIVE FLAK FORM

TARTAN

PILOT'S NAME

DATE OF ATTACK

SHIP NO.

TIME	PLACE	ALTITUDE	HEADING	DESCRIPTION OF FLAK GIVING LEVEL - ABOVE BELOW - CLOCK POSITION - DISTANCE
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1120	4820-0800	2000	850	20 fms at 8 o'clock level - meager not at
1223	Target	20,000	2500	moderate - scattered fms - low - lot of gas after we passed over - really came up but still low -
1411	Epernay	14,500	2800	4 fms - level at 3 o'clock - meager

Reporting Officer

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DESCRIPTIVE FLAK FORM

TARGET Augsburg DATE OF ATTACK 16-Mar-44
 PILOT'S NAME Malvoly SHIP NO. 074

TIME	PLACE	ALTITUDE	READING	DESCRIPTION OF FLAK GIVING LOW-HIGH-ABOVE BELOW-CLOCK POSITION
1772	Target	2000	735°	aft over - not accurate - low + high - good results frame chief - heavy over target.

Followed by flak all turn out.

1410	4853 - 0407	14500	280	at clock - frame airfields - light.
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1710 Near IP

saw aerial bombs -
exploded after dropping
three formation -
E/A flew very hard &
released bombs.

Reporting Officer [Signature]

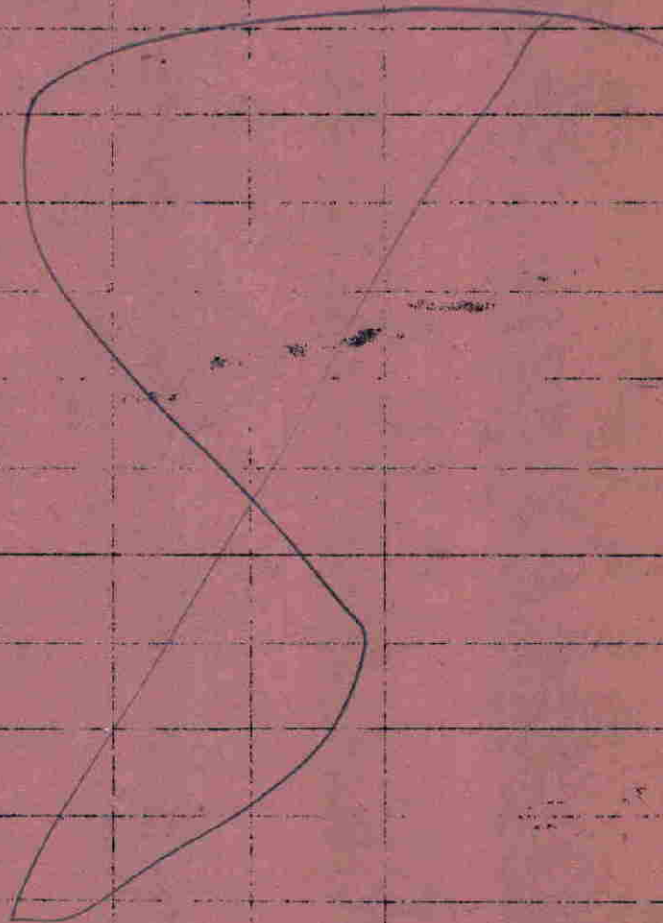
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DESCRIPTIVE FLAK FORM

TARGET AugsburgDATE OF ATTACK 16-3-44PILOT'S NAME ZellerSHIP NO. 708

TIME	PLACE	ALTITUDE	HEADING	DESCRIPTION OF FLAK GIVING LEVEL ABOVE EIGHT-O'CLOCK POSITION
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1200	20 Mde NW 9 Tgt	20000	50°	4 Bursts - fairly accurate - Burst in 25 - moderate
1220	Tgt -	20300	275	mod. heavy - but not accurate
1225	"	"	"	Chaps seemed to decrease height -
1410	Epernay	15000	270	at 3 o'clock - light + high -

Reporting Officer H. H. Smith

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DATE OF ATTACK

SEP 10.

Reporting Officer

DESCRIPTIVE FLAK FORM

TARGET

Ringsburg

DATE OF ATTACK

Mar. 18-44

PILOT'S NAME

Moore

SHIP NO.

534

TIME

PLACE

ALTITUDE

HEADING

DESCRIPTION OF FLAK GIVING LEVEL - ABOVE

BELOW - CLOCK POSITION - OTHER DATA

1121 29 00 E 20000

85°

5 guns - off to left

seemed to be ahead

1223 Target 20000

287°

to the left - seemed to

be sitting wing ahead -

seemed accurate but didn't

hit the ship - following

explosion.

About 5 min.

1455

15000

322° about 3 guns - inaccurate

from forward

15000

322°

about 3 guns - inaccurate

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Reporting Officer

DATE OF ATTACK _____

S. REP NO. _____

1945

~~Target~~

1723 Target
Chloro-Sun Insus

Intense - ~~inaccurate~~
Barren - ~~High~~
Heavy - ~~inaccurate~~

Bucket Shells Before target
between I. P. & target
7 to 8000 feet short -
Multiple battery -

Reporting Officer

Low Sheet

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HEADQUARTERS
ONE HUNDREDTH BOMBARDMENT GROUP (H), AAF
Office of the Station Engineering Officer
APO 634

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16 March 1944

SUBJECT: Battle Damage Report on Mission 16 March 1944.

TO : Commanding Officer, 100th Bombardment Group (H), AAF.

SHIP 6895

1. Ball Turret gunner shot up right and left bombay doors as doors were opening.
2. Squadron repair.

EUGENE ROYCE,
Major, Air Corps,
Engineering Officer.

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HEADQUARTERS
100TH BOMBARDMENT GROUP (H)
Office of the Intelligence Officer

D-L-7

APO 634
16 March 1944

SUBJECT: Digest, Crew Comments and Suggestions, Operational Mission #130

TO : Commanding Officer, 100th Bomb Group, APO 634

1. Submitted herewith is a digest of crew comments and suggestions compiled by S-2 on Operational Mission #130, 16 March 1944:

- a. Lt. J. C. Harper, Crew #76 - Saw TG's out of #1 & #2 3rd element high Squadron shoot at P-51's.
- b. T/Sgt. R. E. Hudson, Crew #76 - Want tracers for guns.
- c. All members, crew #76 - Want rags with which to clean guns.
- d. S/Sgt. J. J. Strang, Crew #31 - Saw P-47's drop belly tanks while above our formation.
- e. Officers, Crew #18 - Have no hot water in WAAF site.
- f. Lt. R. R. Kroske, Crew #51 - Was promised to have oxygen system fixed, but it wasn't. Need plastic nose. Right gun is loose in BT.
- g. Lt. L. G. Lacy, Crew #64 - Heater in ship goes out at 15,000 feet.
- h. All Members, Crew #64 - Drew 4 electric suits at different times and none would work. Maintainance is poor.
- i. Lt. C. B. Harper, Crew #16 - Want interphone fixed. Has been reported before and is preventing crew members advising N of observations and E/A attacks.
- j. All members, Crew #42 - Need flashlights.
- k. Lt. L. E. Townsend, Crew #6 - Formations were too scattered. Large pieces of metal appearing to be belly tanks were dropped in front of our formation.
- l. Lt. F. W. Roberts, Crew #74 - Want rags for cleaning guns.
- m. S/Sgt. H. D. Fern, Crew #67 - Want tracers.

Heallman
Capt., H.C.
for F. MINER SHAW
Major, Air Corps
Intelligence Officer

HEADQUARTERS 100TH BOMBARDMENT
OUTGOING MESSAGE
(SUBMIT IN DUPLICATE)

0845

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TO COMBOMDIV THREE		CLASSIFICATION		MSG. CENTER USE.	
ATTN: A-2 REPORTING SECTION					
INFO OF COMBOMCOMMIG THIRTEEN		URGENT	SECRET	ORIG. NO. 100BG. <i>R-357-D</i>	
FROM COMOMGR ONE HUNDRED		X PRIORITY	X CONFIDENTIAL	RECD. <i>1625</i>	
17/3/44	1430	S-2		CLRD. <i>1742</i>	
DATE	TIME	SECT.	ROUTINE	RESTRICTED	SERIES NO. <i>13</i>
SIGNATURE <i>Washington</i>		DEFERRED	APPROVED <i>Major Thirer Shaw</i>		

100 BG - OPERATIONAL INTELLIGENCE - AUGSBURG - 16 MARCH 1944.

A. ENEMY AIR OPPOSITION:

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TWO A/C SEEN TO MAKE CIRCLE ABOVE OUR FORMATION, VERY HIGH, IN THE VICINITY OF ~~XXX~~ SPLASHER 8, AT 0923 HOURS. THESE A/C THEN HEADED BACK TOWARDS ENEMY TERRITORY, LEAVING SON TRAILS.

S/E E/A WERE FIRST SEEN IN ENEMY TERRITORY IN THE VICINITY OF CHALOUS. THESE A/C WERE IN GROUPS OF FOUR TO SIX, THE PRINCIPLE ATTACKS WERE AGAINST OTHER WINGS WITH INTERMITTENT ATTACKS ON THIS GROUP: SUCH ~~XXXXXX~~ ATTACKS WERE FROM A LINE ABREAST FORMATION, OF THREE TO SIX E/A, AND WERE GENERALLY FROM SLIGHTLY HIGH TO SLIGHTLY LOW AND MOSTLY FROM FIVE TO SEVEN O'CLOCK POSITIONS. THESE E/A WERE EFFECTIVELY ENGAGED BY THE FIGHTER ESCORT.

AT APPROXIMATELY 0800 DEGREES EAST LONGITUDE, GROUPS OF 20 TO 30 twin ENGINE E/A WERE SEEN CRUISING ~~WNT~~ OUT OF RANGE. THESE E/A WERE PREDOMINANTLY ME 110'S, WITH A MINORITY OF ME ~~410~~'S, AND A FEW JU 88'S. AS THE TARGET WAS APPROACHED, THERE WERE MORE T/E E/A.

AT APPROXIMATELY 4840N-0950E, A GROUP OF SOME 30 ME 110'S, AND ME 410'S MADE A FEINT AT OUR FORMATION. THE P-51'S TOOK UP THE ATTACK, DROPPING THEIR BELL TANKS. THE 110'S AND 410'S, CONTINUING THEIR DIVE TO NEAR THE CLOUD DECK, THEN CLIMBED BACK FOR AN ATTACK.

THE 110 AND 410'S WERE ATTACKED ^{WNT} US IN A FORMATION ROUGHLY RESEMBLING THE B-17 FORMATION. AT 1150 HOURS, AND NEAR 4840N-1000E, THE ABOVE T/E E/A MADE A PASS AT THE 100TH GROUP. THIS ATTACK STARTED HIGH, ONE AND TWO O'CLOCK POSITION FROM LINE ABREAST IN ELEMENTS OF THREE TO FOUR E/A IN A FORMATION OF APPROXIMATELY 30. PART OF THE E/A FIRED ROCKETS AT 400 TO 600 YARDS RANGE AT THE ENTIRE 100TH GROUP. THE E/A THEN PULLED TO THEIR LEFT AND SWUNG AROUND FOR A TAIL ATTACK, SLIGHTLY HIGH TO SLIGHTLY LOW FROM CLOCK POSITIONS OF FOUR TO SIX O'CLOCK. THOSE E/A WHICH HAD NOT FIRED THEIR ROCKETS DID SO IN THIS ATTACK. ALL E/A ON THIS PASS FIRED THEIR CANNON.

THERE WERE NO OTHER CONCENTRATED ATTACKS ON THE 100TH GROUP. ALTHOUGH

THERE WERE OTHER LATER ATTACKS BY S/E E/A SIMILAR TO THOSE ALREADY DESCRIBED.

AT 1153 HOURS, NEAR 4840N-1010E, TWELVE 4 ENGINE E/A WERE SEEN AT A 3 OR 4 O'CLOCK POSITION IN LINE ABREAST FORMATION. THESE E/A FIRED AT A SECTION OF THE 13TH CBW: SUCH FIRE CAME IN SPURTS FROM UNDER THE WINGS AND FUSELAGE. THE SIZE OF THE MUZZLE FLASHES INDICATED LARGE CALIBRE GUNS. THE RECOGNITION FEATURES OF THIS E/A OF WHICH THE OBSERVERS ARE MOST CERTAIN ARE: (1) FOUR ENGINES (2) TWIN FINS AND RUDDERS (3) DIEDRAL IN TAIL PLANE (4) STRAIGHT CENTER SECTION, AND (5) SWEEP BACK WINGS FROM CENTER SECTION. THIS A/C RESEMBLES THE SILHOUETTE OF THE JU 290.

ENEMY AIRCRAFT SEEN ARE ESTIMATED TO BE 92 IN NUMBER AS FOLLOWS: 10 ME 109'S, MOSTLY W OF RHEIN RIVER. 25 FW 190'S, MOSTLY W OF RHEIN RIVER. 30 ME 110'S, ALL E OF THE RHEIN RIVER. 10 ME 410'S AND 10 JU 88'S ALL E OF THE RHEIN RIVER. 12 FOUR ENGINE E/A AS DESCRIBED, ABOVE.

B. OBSERVATIONS:

1. NEAR 5005N-0120E, AT 1520 HOURS, 3 MERCHANT VESSELS WERE REPORTED ON A HEADING OF 210 DEGREES.
2. NEAR MARGNY, APPROXIMATELY 24 BUILDINGS ARRANGED IN A RECTANGULAR PATTERN WERE REPORTED.
3. APPROXIMATELY 3 MILES ENE OF TOUL, A GROUP OF BUILDINGS WERE REPORTED ARRANGED AROUND A LARGE CROSS MADE OF RAISED DIRT. ON THE SW OF TOUL, 15 TO 20 RECTANGULAR FACTORY BUILDINGS WERE REPORTED.
4. NW OF ORCIX DE METZ, LARGE WAREHOUSES WERE SEEN IN THE SOUTHERN PART OF A WOODS NEAR 4843N-0542E.
5. NEAR 4849N-0448E, A STORAGE BUILDINGS AND FREIGHT ACTIVITY WERE REPORTED.
6. NEAR 4836N-0610E, A LARGE SQUARE INSTALLATION WAS SEEN IN A CIRCLE OF WOODS. DOORS APPEARED IN THE SIDES GIVING THE APPEARANCE OF A SUPPLY DEPOT.

C. FRIENDLY A/C IN DISTRESS:

- (1) AT 1038 HOURS, NEAR 4840N-0420E, AN UNIDENTIFIED B-17, POSSIBLY FROM THE 45TH CG, WAS SEEN GOING DOWN ON FIRE AFTER AN ATTACK BY E/A. THE A/C SEEMED UNDER CONTROL AND NO CHUTES WERE SEEN.
- (2) AT 1152 HOURS, NEAR 4838N-0935E, AN UNIDENTIFIED B-17 FROM THE 45TH CG WAS SEEN GOING DOWN IN FLAMES AFTER A ROCKET ATTACK. NO CHUTES WERE SEEN.
- (3) AT 1200 HOURS NEAR 4848N-1055E, A B-17 FROM THE 390TH GROUP WAS SEEN HIT BY A ROCKET FIRED FROM AN ME 410. THIS A/C WAS REPORTED FLAMING BADLY AND LATER TO EXPLODE. NO CHUTES WERE SEEN.

(4) AT 1238 HOURS AN UNIDENTIFIED B-17 WAS SEEN HEADING FOR SWITZERLAND.
THIS A/C WAS ATTACKED BY E/A AND 5 CHUTES WERE SEEN.

(5) AT 1304, NEAR 4818N-0805E, AN UNIDENTIFIED B-17 WAS SEEN SPINNING
DOWN AND 7 CHUTES WERE SEEN. THIS A/C WAS SEEN TO HIT THE GROUND AND
EXPLODE.

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100BG - OPERATIONAL INTELLIGENCE - AUGSBURG - 16 MARCH 1944.

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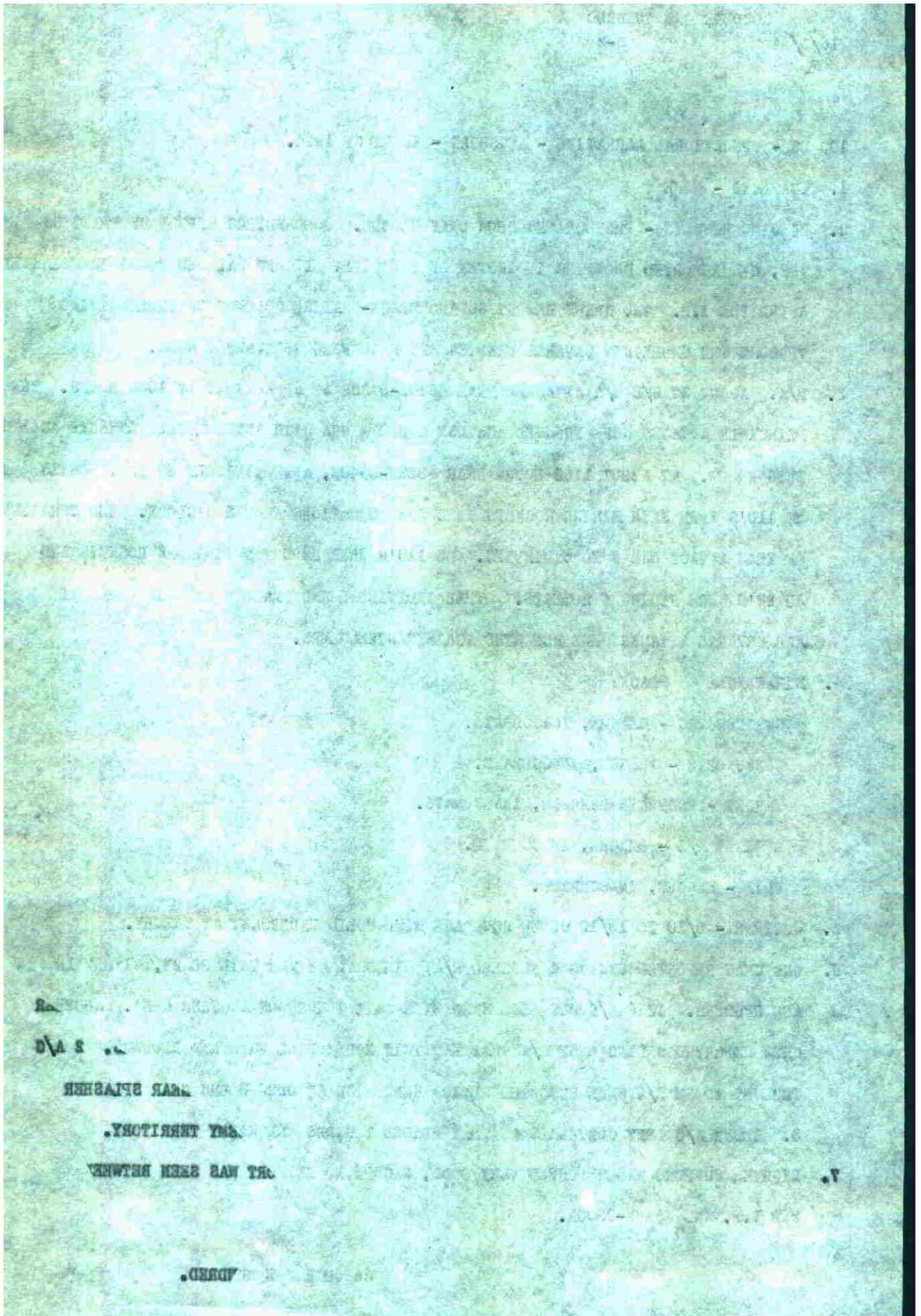
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APO 559
26 March 1944

SUBJECT: Evaluated Encounters Report Mission # 130, & 132, 16, & 18 March 1944

TO : S-1, 100th Bomb Group, APO 559

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S/Sgt. D. B. Greene	349		X	
S/Sgt. W. N. Boguminski	418			X
T/Sgt. J. R. Gensel	418		X	
Lt. C. G. Polak	349			X
S/Sgt. J. J. Daly	418	X		
S/Sgt. C. W. Lynch	349	X		
T/Sgt. C. P. Luquet	350		X	
S/Sgt. G. L. Luistro	418		X	
S/Sgt. W. H. Miller	350			X
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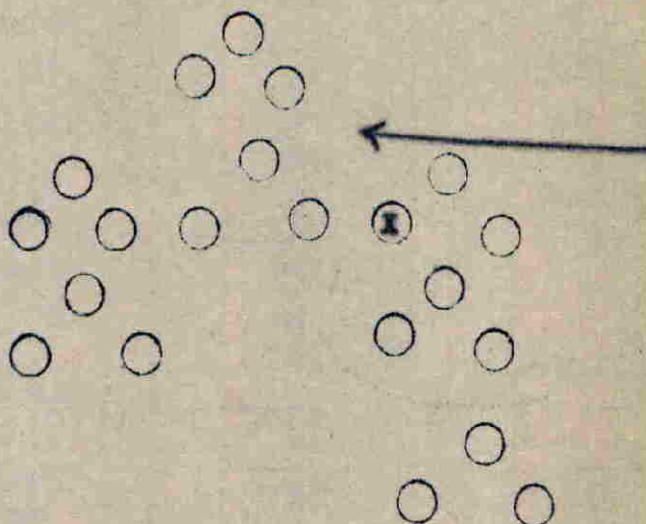
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GROUP 100 SQN. 349 A/C 607G DATE 16 March 1944

WHERE ATTACK

TOOK PLACE 4835N 1020EHEIGHT 15,000TIME 1247Our Heading 284°Type of E/A ME 109Clock Pos. 2Attack Level level

MARK A/C ATTACKED AND CLOCK POSITION



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COMPLETE STORY OF THE ATTACK:

1 ME 109 was maneuvering into the formation and came in at 2 O'clock level toward low at slow speed. I fired two bursts at E/A at about 500 yards. When I fired he "stood on his tail" and smoke started coming from around cowlings. The E/A hesitated and staggered and was seen by the TG to be smoking and losing altitude until out of eyesight.

EVALUATED
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A-2 3rd B.D.

Gunner responsible for E/A damage: Lt C. G. Polak Position BOther gun positions firing on the same E/A no

Other A/C firing at the same time at the same E/A: A/C Nos. _____

If E/A was shot down or damaged: Corroborated by:

Lt R. R. Nelson A/C No. 607 Position in A/C RS/Sgt C. W. Lynch A/C No. 607 Position in A/C TGS/Sgt D. B. Green A/C No. 607 Position in A/C BT

Comments of interrogator:

INTERROGATOR Lt. Hollingworth Time 1710

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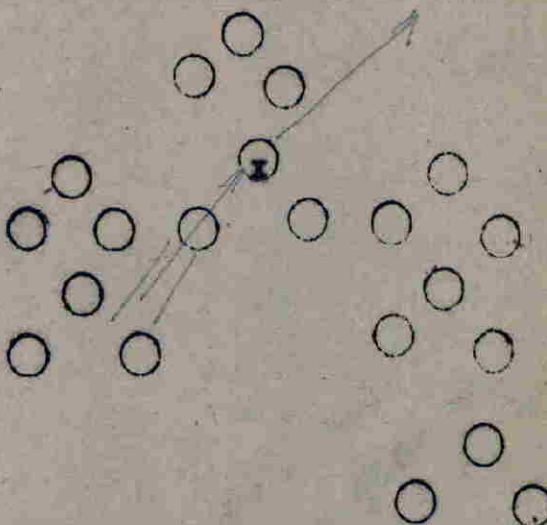
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COMBAT REPORT 54GROUP 100th SQN. 418th A/C 895-G DATE 16/3/44WHERE ATTACK TOOK PLACE ~~XXXXXX~~ 4825N-0916E HEIGHT 19,500 ft. TIME 1130

Our Heading 60 mag.
 Type of E/A FW 190
 Clock Pos. 7 o'clock
 Attack Level Slightly low.

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MARK A/C ATTACKED AND CLOCK POSITION

COMPLETE STORY OF THE ATTACK:

3 FW 190's came in at 7 o'clock, slightly low, in line abreast. When they were approximately 600 yards away, BX BT gunner started firing at center a/c. At approximately ~~XXXXXX~~ 250 yards distance, the FW 190 started smoking; BT gunner followed to approximately 200 yards then as e/a swept by he turned and continued firing until e/a had gone a distance of 300 yards. He continued going down in a loose spin, smoking

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Gunner responsible for E/A damage: S/Sgt. E.H. Duganinski Position BTOther gun positions firing on the same E/A noneOther A/C firing at the same time at the same E/A: A/C Nos. none

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S/Sgt. J. J. Waly A/C No. 895 Position in A/C RW

A/C No. _____ Position in A/C _____

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Comments of interrogator:

INTERROGATOR E.L. Johnson Time 1730

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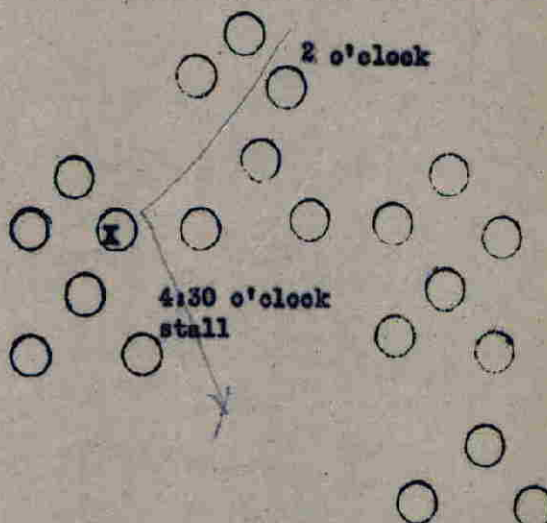
WHERE ATTACK

TOK PLACE 4836N-1055E HEIGHT 20,000 ft. TIME 1145

Our Heading 60°
 Type of E/A ME 210
 Clock Pos. 4:30
 Attack Level Low

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MARK A/C ATTACKED AND CLOCK POSITION

COMPLETE STORY OF THE ATTACK:

after
 Came in at 2 o'clock - was lead ship of e/a group - rest peeled off - coming in sight under top of our right wing, this e/a chandelled up toward us but it was firing to the back of us. It seemed to stall at top of chandelle and fell off to left. RW gunner claims to have hit this ship on right wing and smoke started as he fell off. It was smoking badly when last seen just above undercast. No chute seen. E/A was about 3 to 400 yards away when hit at top of stall.

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S/Sgt. L. Genouese A/C No. 074 Position in A/C TGS/Sgt. N. A. Pardee A/C No. 074 Position in A/C RT

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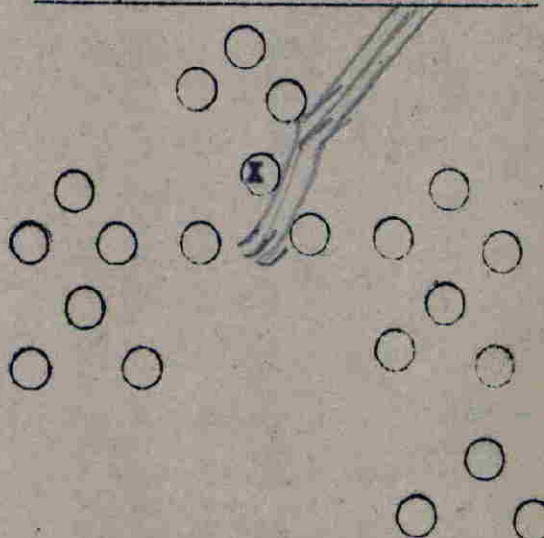
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COMPLETE STORY OF THE ATTACK:

Approximately 30 Twin engine E A/C came in line abreast in elements of 3 and 4. Attacked entire group. They came in level and after firing rockets at formation from approximately 0200 o'clock position they all swept in turn to make a tail attack on B-17 formation, firing rockets at 400 yards range. Tail gunner picked out one ME 210 and started firing at 400 yards, level 0530 o'clock position. Its engine started smoking at 350 yards, and started down at 300 yards, still in right turn. Left waist gunner saw pilot bale out at 0730 o'clock position, 800 yards below.

EVALUATED
DAMAGED
A.2 3rd B.D.

Gunner responsible for E/A damage: S/Sgt. Braaswell R. L. Position TOOther gun positions firing on the same E/A NoneOther A/C firing at the same time at the same E/A: A/C Nos. None seen

If E/A was shot down or damaged: Corroborated by:

S/Sgt. J. T. Penney A/C No. 895 Position in A/C LW

A/C No. _____ Position in A/C _____

A/C No. _____ Position in A/C _____

Comments of interrogator:

INTERROGATOR E. L. Johnson Time _____

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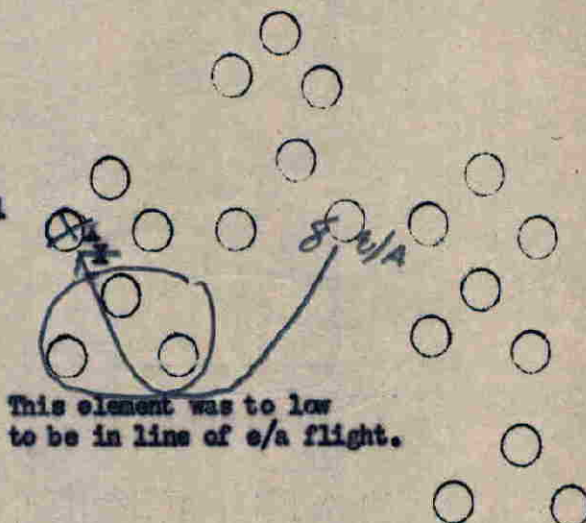
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GROUP 100th SN. 350 A/C 537 G DATE 16/3/44
 WHERE ATTACK TOOK PLACE 4850N-0800E HEIGHT 19,800 ft. TIME 1031

Our Heading 98°
 Type of E/A HE 110
 Clock Pos. 3 to 5:30
 Attack Level High to level

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MARK A/C ATTACKED AND CLOCK POSITION



COMPLETE STORY OF THE ATTACK:

8 E/a came in circle from 3 to 5:30 o'clock abreast. They fired rockets from 800 yards. Just before rockets fired, I opened up on # 3 e/a on my right. I gave him 2 short bursts and he went down below stabilizer in a tight spin to his right. RW - saw above e/a continue down in tight spin 5,000 feet before I had to devote my attention to other matters.

EVALUATED
 PROBABLE
 A423rd B.D.

Gunner responsible for E/A damage: T/Sgt. C.F. Luquet Position FT

Other gun positions firing on the same E/A None

Other A/C firing at the same time at the same E/A: A/C Nos. Unknown

If E/A was shot down or damaged: Corroborated by:

S/Sgt. J. B. Bowers A/C No. 537 Position in A/C RW

A/C No. _____ Position in A/C _____

A/C No. _____ Position in A/C _____

Comments of interrogator:

All crew saw part of this action but no further details available.

INTERROGATOR Capt. F. E. Callinan Time _____

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WHERE ATTACK

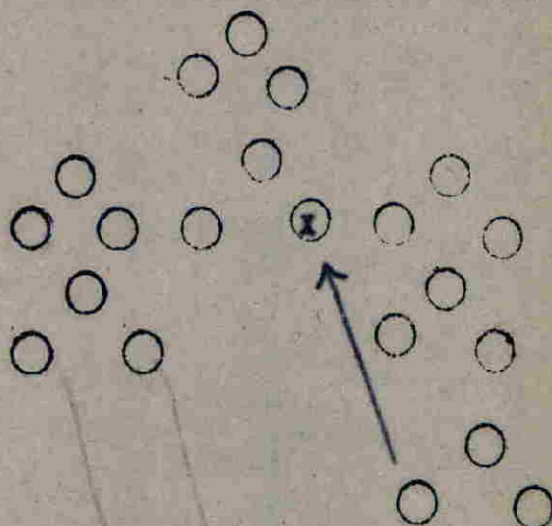
TOOK PLACE Just before targetHEIGHT 20,000TIME 1215Our Heading 230°Type of E/A ME 110Clock Pos. 5Attack Level level

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COMPLETE STORY OF THE ATTACK:

E/A came in to about 800 yards and I fired on him. He nosed down in a spin. There was an FW 190 behind him so I could not observe him going all the way down.

Tail Gunner: E/A came in with FW 190 behind him and fired his rockets. FW fired and smoke poured out of right wing on E/A and he nosed down and went into a spin through the undercast.

Ball Turret: I saw smoke come out of E/A and he nosed down and started to spin.

EVALUATED
PROBABLE
A-2 3rd B. D.

Gunner responsible for E/A damage: S/Sgt S. L. Luistro Position RWG

Other gun positions firing on the same E/A none

Other A/C firing at the same time at the same E/A: A/C Nos. none

If E/A was shot down or damaged: Corroborated by:

S/Sgt D. S. McGill A/C No. 913 Position in A/C TC

S/Sgt J. D. Smeat A/C No. 913 Position in A/C BT

A/C No. _____ Position in A/C _____

Comments of interrogator:

INTERROGATOR J. Bauman, 1st Lt., AC Time 1710

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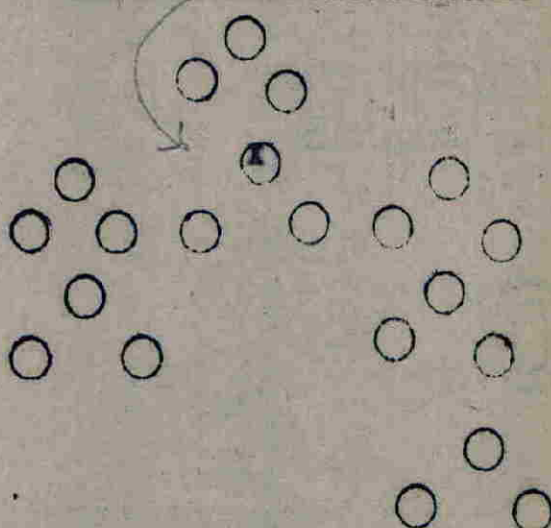
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GROUP 100 SQN. 418 A/C 895G DATE 16 March 1944WHERE ATTACK TOOK PLACE 4825N 0915E HEIGHT 19,500 TIME 1135-

Our Heading	<u>60°</u>
Type of E/A	<u>ME 109</u>
Clock Pos.	<u>5</u>
Attack Level	<u>high</u>

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MARK A/C ATTACKED AND CLOCK POSITION



COMPLETE STORY OF THE ATTACK:

Group of 5 ME 109's came in in slow diving turn above this formation heading to attack a group of B-17's that were slightly lower and at 3 O'clock position in reference to A/C 895. The E/A came directly over our formation and when they were approximately 250-300 yards away and slightly above at 2 O'clock TT started firing on lead E/A. Parts of E/A fell off, also cowlings came off. E/A started smoking and went down in a tight spiral escorted by other ME 109's.

EVALUATED
PROBABLE
A-2 3rd B. D.

Gunner responsible for E/A damage: T/Sgt J. R. Gensel Position TTOther gun positions firing on the same E/A noneOther A/C firing at the same time at the same E/A: A/C Nos. none

If E/A was shot down or damaged: Corroborated by:

<u>Lt R. C. Halliday</u>	A/C No. <u>895</u>	Position in A/C <u>CP</u>
<u>Lt F. W. Roberts</u>	A/C No. <u>895</u>	Position in A/C <u>N</u>
<u>T/Sgt H. W. Biese</u>	A/C No. <u>895</u>	Position in A/C <u>R</u>

Comments of interrogator:

INTERROGATOR: E. L. Johnson, Capt., AC Time 1720

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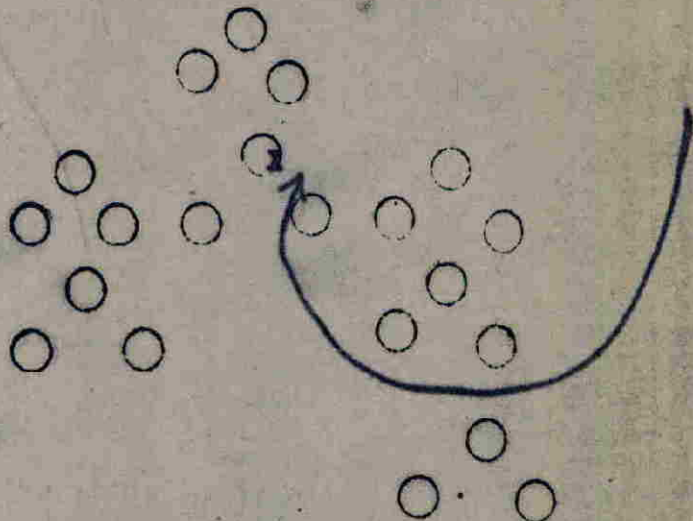
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WHERE ATTACK

TOOK PLACE 4835N 1000EHEIGHT 19,800 TIME 1150

Our Heading 55°
 Type of E/A ME 110
 Clock Pos. 5
 Attack Level slightly low

MARK A/C ATTACKED AND CLOCK POSITION



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COMPLETE STORY OF THE ATTACK:

During attack of approximately 30 T/E E/A RNC picked out 1 ME 110 that was completing right turn for attack at 5 O'clock, slightly low. Started firing at 450 yards and continued firing with pieces of right wing and cowlings falling off. Right engine was on fire and fire spread to entire right wing. It ~~was~~ went down in a steep dive entirely covered with fire at 3 O'clock.

EVALUATED
 DESTROYED
 A-2 3rd B.D.

Gunner responsible for E/A damage: S/Sgt J. J. Daly Position RNCOther gun positions firing on the same E/A noneOther A/C firing at the same time at the same E/A: A/C Nos. none seen

If E/A was shot down or damaged: Corroborated by:

T/Sgt J. H. Gansel A/C No. 895 Position in A/C BT

A/C No. _____ Position in A/C _____

A/C No. _____ Position in A/C _____

Comments of interrogator:

Possibility of same E/A as claimed by TG in this A/C.

INTERROGATOR E. L. Johnson, Capt., AC Time _____

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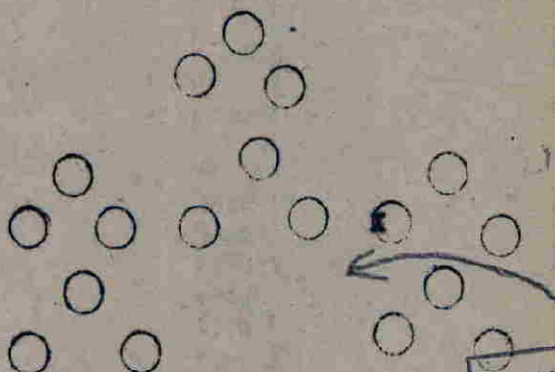
GROUP 100th SON. 342 A/C 607 G DATE 16/3/44WHERE ATT OR
TACK PLACE 4848N-1119E HEIGHT 20,000 ft. TIME 1205Our Heading 45Type of E/A ME 110Clock Pos. 5 o'clockAttack Level Low

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MARK A/C ATTACKED AND CLOCK POSITION



EVALUATED

DESTROYED

A-2 3rd B.D.

COMPLETE STORY OF THE ATTACK:

RW Gunners observation -

4 E/A came in about 4:30 o'clock and 5 o'clock positions, flying low and behind the ship; stepped across to show LW gunner where they were. Saw 1 E/A fall out of formation and into a side slip, smoking and then into a dive on left side of ship.

Claimant's story:

Saw about 40 ME 110's and JU 88's approaching in formation in elements of four. The four e/a nearest me approached at 5 o'clock position and were from 6 to 800 yards away when I started firing. At about 400 yards, I hit the nearest e/a and it started smoking in #1 engine and then I saw a burst of flame. As this e/a passed under the next formation it straggled from its element.

LW Gunners observation -

Saw the ME 110 with about 3 other e/a passing back from and under tail of ship at about 7:30 o'clock position and it was in flames and went into a spin and then nosed down out of control. Saw something fall out which looked like one of crew but no chute opened. It might have been part of e/a which fell. I followed it down about 2000 yards and right wing blew off. I am positive it was the one the TG hit. BT Gunner saw the ship smoking but he was too busy to follow it.

Gunner responsible for E/A damage S/Sgt. C.W. Lynch Position TGOther gun positions firing on the same E/A NOther A/C firing at the same time at the same E/A: A/C Nos. No

If E/A was shot down or damaged: Corroborated by:

S/Sgt. L. M. Clegg A/C No. 607 Position in A/C LTS/Sgt. P. E. Calkin A/C No. 607 Position in A/C GWSgt. E. J. McDermott A/C No. 607 Position in A/C LW

Comments of interrogator:

INTERROGATOR Lt. Hollingsworth Time 1725

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PRIMARY TARGET	GABLINGEN			TOTAL
1. GROUP/WING	100/13			
2. A/C AIRBORNE	23 A/C + 1 PFF			
3. A/C DISPATCHED	20 A/C + 1 PFF			
4. A/C ATTACKING	20 A/C + 1 PFF			
5. A/C FAILING TO ATTACK	NONE			
a. Mechanical				
b. Weather				
c. Enemy Action				
d. Other				
6. A/C LOST	NONE			
a. To AA				
b. To e/a				
c. To AA and e/a				
d. To accident				
e. By reasons unknown				
7. TIME OF ATTACK	1223 1228			
8. ALTITUDE OF ATTACK	20,000 18,000			
9. BOMBS DROPPED (PRIMARY)	NONE			
a. Number				
b. Size				
c. Type				
BOMBS DROPPED (OTHER)	AUGSBURG			
a. Number	200			
b. Size	500 + PFF			
c. Type	GP			
BOMBS DROPPED (OTHER)				
a. Number				
b. Size				
c. Type				
10. PERSONNEL CASUALTIES	NONE			
a. Killed				
b. Wounded				
c. Missing				
d. Rescued				
11. BATTLE DAMAGE				
a. Minor	1 A/C			
b. Major				
c. Salvage				

12. Claims
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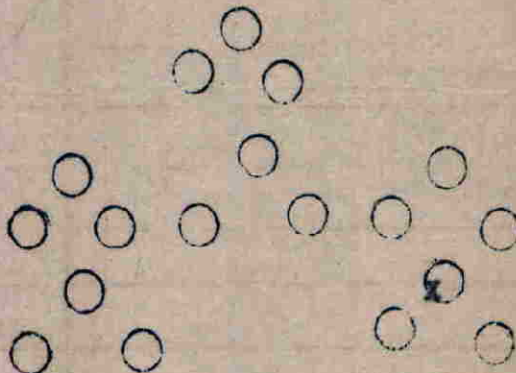
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GROUP 100th SQN. 349th A/C 249 DATE March 16, 1944WHERE ATTACK TOOK PLACE 4850N-1040E HEIGHT 20,000 TIME 1155

MARK A/C ATTACKED AND CLOCK POSITION

Our Heading 35
 Type of E/A ME 110
 Clock Pos. 6
 Attack Level LOW

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EVALUATED
DESTROYED
 A-2 3rd E.D.

COMPLETE STORY OF THE ATTACK:

When we picked up the group of ME 110's, at least 30 in all, they were approaching our formation at three o'clock low about 1500 yards out. By the time they got to us they were at 6 o'clock and a bit low when they split up. I started firing at the right E/A of three ME 110's which were sliding across our tail within 350 yards. Rockets were being fired while they were coming in but fell short.

I told the Pilot to "kick it over" and as the three E/A came in on us, echeloned up in a "V", I hit the right one in the right engine for the engine seemed to explode and the right wing on fire. The E/A went down past my vision.

(STORY PICKED UP BY THE BALL TURRET OPERATOR)

I saw the E/A disintegrate in mid air. No chutes were seen.

Gunner responsible for E/A damage: S/SGT E.H. KEMBLE Position TOOther gun positions firing on the same E/A BALL TURRET OPERATOROther A/C firing at the same time at the same E/A: A/C Nos. TO ON OUR RIGHT WING
MIGHT HAVE. EXCELLENT OPPORTUNITY.

If E/A was shot down or damaged. Corroborated by:

S/SGT W.A. GRIGLE A/C No. 249 Position in A/C BT

A/C No. _____ Position in A/C _____

A/C No. _____ Position in A/C _____

Comments of interrogator:

*SEE letter in # 124.**LATE CLAIM*INTERROGATOR JEB Time _____

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Squadrons			
	Ordered	ALPHA	
	Up		
	Ret'd Early		
	Sorties		
	Attacking	CIRCULAR	
	Time Off		
	T.O.T.		
	Time back	BOMB LOADINGS	
	No.		
	Wt.		
	No.		
	Wt.	ALPHA	
	Arm.		
	Ord.		
	Eng.		
	Oxy.		
	Misc.		
	Weather		
	Escort		
	Missed		
	Formation		
	Missed	BOMB	
	Recall		
	Total		
	Eng.		
	Misc.		
	Target	BOMB	
	Obscured		
	Enemy		
	Action		
	TOTAL		
	Target		
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	Altitude		
	Heading		
	No.	BOMB	
	Wt.		
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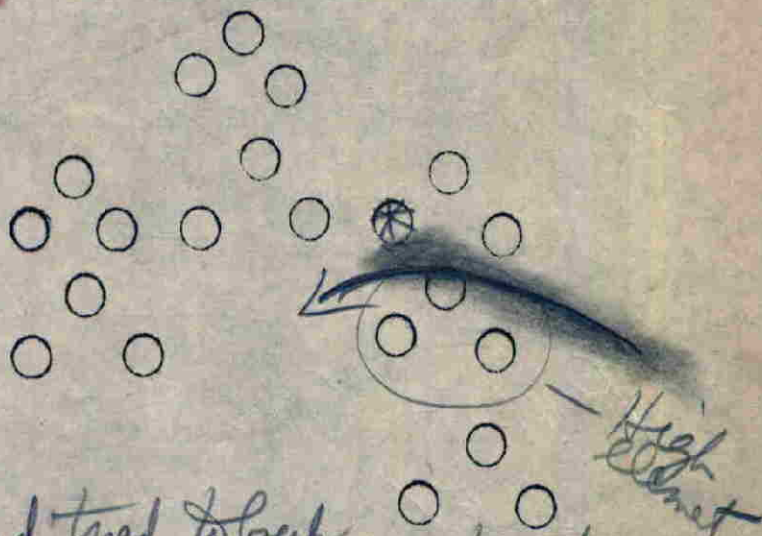
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GROUP 100 SQN. 349 A/C 607 DATE 16-3-44
 WHERE ATTACK TOOK PLACE 48°48'N-11°19'E HEIGHT 20000 TIME 1205

Our Heading	<u>45</u>
Type of E/A	<u>110</u>
Clock Pos.	<u>5</u>
Attack Level	<u>Low</u>

MARK A/C ATTACKED AND CLOCK POSITION

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COMPLETE STORY OF THE ATTACK:

Down 110's came in and tried to break up formation. They had fired Rockets at 1500 yds and closed in with Cannon. I picked the one nearest me and fired 4 bursts. The ship continued on for 2 minutes and then winged down ^{straight} streaming smoke + flame from #1 engine.

*S/Sgt. C.W. Lynch
170 COTTAGE ST.
PAWTUCKET, RI*

Gunner responsible for E/A damage: PAWTUCKET, RI Position TG -

Other gun positions firing on the same E/A: _____

Other A/C firing at the same time at the same E/A: A/C Nos. _____

If E/A was shot down or damaged: Corroborated by:

S/Sgt. Clegg, L.M. A/C No. 607 Position in A/C TTS/Sgt. RE. CALKIN A/C No. 607 Position in A/C RWSgt. B.G. Madenote A/C No. 607 Position in A/C LWSgt. D.B. Green A/C No. 607 Position in A/C BSA

Comments of interrogator:

INTERROGATOR H. L. Smith Time 1725

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have him bring in 117000
to get a renewed story of
this claim -

PW - (restated story)

4 E/A came in about 430 &
5 o'clock ~~to~~ position of ship -
they were low & behind the
ship - stepped across to starboard
gunner where they were -
saw 1 E/A fall out ^{of formation} ~~into~~ into
a side slip, striking & then
into a dive on left side of ship,

Claimant: -

saw about 40 ME 110's & 185's
approaching in formation & in elements
of four. The four nearest claimant
approached at 5 o'clock, ship's position,
& were 6 to 800 yds. when he started
firing - was about 400 yds. away when
claimant hit nearest ship - ship started
to smoke in number one engine &
saw burst of flame - passed under
next ~~formation~~ to ship's left, but this
was from its element.

Z-N — Saw the ME/10 with about 3 others passing back from & under tail of ship at about 730 clock & it was in flames & into a spin, nosed ~~out~~ down out of control — saw something fall out & look like one of crew, but no chute opened — might have been part of E/A — followed it down about 200 yds. & right wing blew off — positive was the one TG ~~was~~ hit.

BT — saw the ship smoking but was too busy to follow it.

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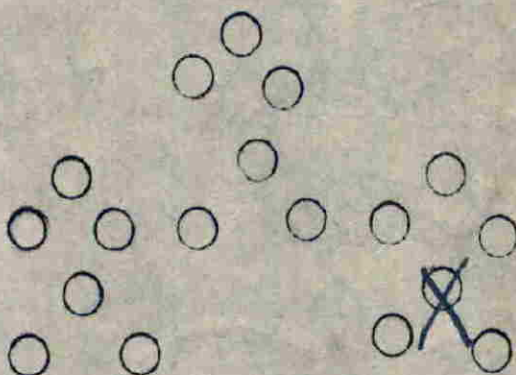
GROUP 100SON. 349A/C 249DATE Mar 16thWHERE ATTACK
TOOK PLACE[48°50'N - 10°40'E]HEIGHT 20,000TIME 1155Our Heading 350Type of E/A ME 110Clock Pos. 6 o'clockAttack Level Low

MARK A/C ATTACKED AND CLOCK POSITION

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COMPLETE STORY OF THE ATTACK:

ME 110's coming in at 3 o'clock in formation -
towards behind us - at 6 o'clock low - 3 together
sliding across tail - within 350 yds - shooting
rockets - huge black clouds - short - "to kick it over" - starting firing at ahead of line
to hit one - hit the first one - right engine
flew up and right wing afire -
BT saw it disintegrated in mid air - no
chatter.

Sgt.

Gunner responsible for E/A damage: KEMBLE, H.R.Position TCOther gun positions firing on the same E/A BTOther A/C firing at the same time at the same E/A: A/C Nos. TC on oneIf E/A was shot down or damaged: Corroborated by: right wing - goodSgt. GEIGLE, W.A.A/C No. BTPosition in A/C BT

A/C No. _____

Position in A/C _____

A/C No. _____

Position in A/C _____

Comments of interrogator:

INTERROGATOR _____

Time 5:12

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claimant & give us
coherent story of
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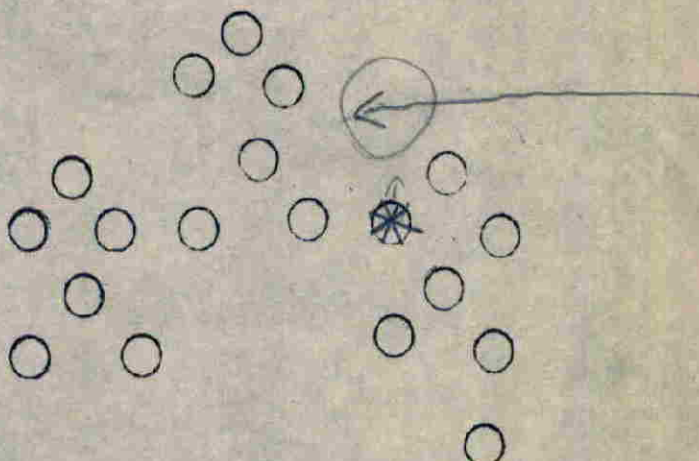
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 GROUP 100 SQN. 349 A/C 607 DATE 16-3-44
 WHERE ATTACK TOOK PLACE 14° 35' N - 10° 20' E HEIGHT 15000 TIME 1247

 Our Heading 284° Mag
 Type of E/A ME109
 Clock Pos. 2
 Attack Level level

MARK A/C ATTACKED AND CLOCK POSITION

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COMPLETE STORY OF THE ATTACK:

One ME 109 was maneuvering into the formation and came in at 2 o'clock level toward low at slow speed. I fired on the ship which was 500 yards away from me - 2 Bombs fired. When I fired, he "stood on his tail" as if he were going to come up and started smoking - it coming from the cowling. The ship hesitated and staggered and was seen by TG smoking & losing altitude until out of eyesight.

 LT. CG. POLAK
 2436 NORTH LONG AVE
Gunner responsible for E/A damage: CHICAGO, ILL Position B. PolakOther gun positions firing on the same E/A No

Other A/C firing at the same time at the same E/A: A/C Nos. _____

If E/A was shot down or damaged: Corroborated by:

H. R. B. Nelson A/C No. 607 Position in A/C N
S/Sgt. CW Lynett A/C No. 607 Position in A/C TG
S/Sgt. D. B. Green A/C No. 607 Position in A/C BT

Comments of interrogator:

INTERROGATOR _____ Time 1710
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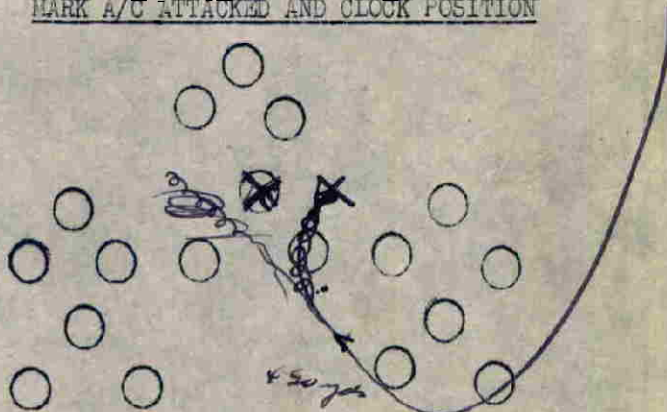
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GROUP 100 SQN. 408 A/C 895 DATE 16 Mar. 1944
 WHERE ATTACK 48-35 N
 TOOK PLACE 10-00 E HEIGHT 19800 TIME 1150

Our Heading 55 mag.
 Type of E/A ME110
 Clock Pos. 05
 Attack Level Slightly low

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MARK A/C ATTACKED AND CLOCK POSITION



COMPLETE STORY OF THE ATTACK:

During attack of approx 30 twin eng E/A/c.
 RW gunner picked out 1 ME110 that was
 completing right turn for attack @ 05 o'clock
 position, slightly low, started firing @ 450 yds,
 continued firing, pieces of it wing & cowling fell
 off, it engine on fire, then fire spread
 until entire it wing was on fire, going
 down in steep dive to right, entirely
 covered with fire at 03 o'clock low.

Gunner responsible for E/A damage: T/S J.J. Daly Position RW.

Other gun positions firing on the same E/A None

Other A/C firing at the same time at the same E/A: A/C Nos. None seen

If E/A was shot down or damaged: Corroborated by: 895

T/S J.H. Gensel A/C No. 895 Position in A/C BT

A/C No. _____ Position in A/C _____

A/C No. _____ Position in A/C _____

Comments of interrogator:

Possibility of same a/c as T.C. in same area

INTERROGATOR E.L. Johnson Time _____

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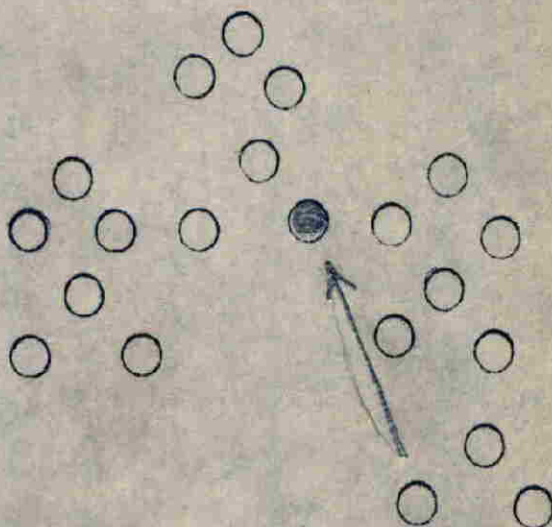
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GROUP 100 SQN. 7/8 A/C 9/3 DATE 16/3/44WHERE ATTACK
TOOK PLACE Just BEFORE TARGET HEIGHT 20000 TIME 1215

Our Heading	<u>230</u>
Type of E/A	<u>ME 110</u>
Clock Pos.	<u>5</u>
Attack Level	<u>LEVEL</u>

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MARK A/C ATTACKED AND CLOCK POSITION

COMPLETE STORY OF THE ATTACK:

E/A came into about 800 yds and I fired on him. He moved down in a spin. There was an FW 190 behind him so I could not observe him going down all the way down.

Tail Gunner. E/A came in with FW 190 behind it and fired its rockets. R.W. Gunner fired and a smoke poured out of right wing on E/A and he moved down and went into a spin through the undercast.

Ball Turret. I saw smoke come out of E/A and he moved down and started to spin.

Gunner responsible for E/A damage: Sgt 3.1. Lister Position RWOther gun positions firing on the same E/A NONEOther A/C firing at the same time at the same E/A: A/C Nos. NONE

If E/A was shot down or damaged: Corroborated by:

S/Sgt D.S. McGill A/C No. 913 Position in A/C TGS/Sgt J.D. Smart A/C No. 913 Position in A/C BT

A/C No. _____ Position in A/C _____

Comments of interrogator:

INTERROGATOR J. Barrman Time 1710

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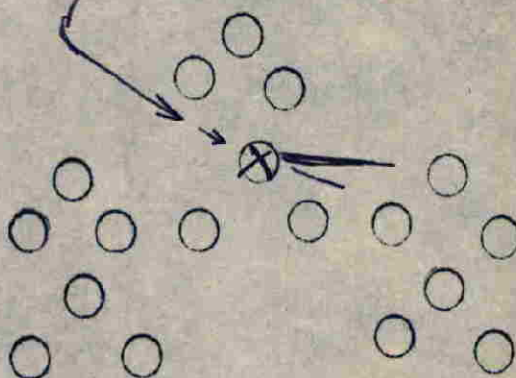
COMBAT REPORT

GROUP 100 SQN. 418 A/C 885 DATE 16 Mar.WHERE ATTACK ~~60°N~~
TOOK PLACE 48-25 N, 09-15 E HEIGHT 19,500 TIME 1135 hr

Our Heading 60° mag
Type of E/A ME109
Clock Pos. 5
Attack Level high

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MARK A/C ATTACKED AND CLOCK POSITION



COMPLETE STORY OF THE ATTACK:

Group of ~~5~~ 5 ME109, came in in slow diving turn, above this formation heading to attack group of B-17, that were slightly lower & at 03 o'clock position in reference to A/C #885. These ME109's came directly over our formation and when they were approximately 250-300 yds away & slightly higher above @ 02 o'clock position. B.T. gunner started firing on lead E A/C. Parts of E A/C fell off, ~~to the~~, also smoking came off. E A/C started smoking, went down in light spiral escorted by other ME109's.

Gunner responsible for E/A damage: W.D.R. Gensel Position 77.Other gun positions firing on the same E/A NoneOther A/C firing at the same time at the same E/A: A/C Nos. None seen.

If E/A was shot down or damaged: Corroborated by:

Lt. R.C. Halliday A/C No. 885 Position in A/C CP
Lt. F.W. Roberts A/C No. 885 Position in A/C W
T/S H.W. Bieze A/C No. _____ Position in A/C Radio

Comments of interrogator:

INTERROGATOR E.L. Johnson Time 1720

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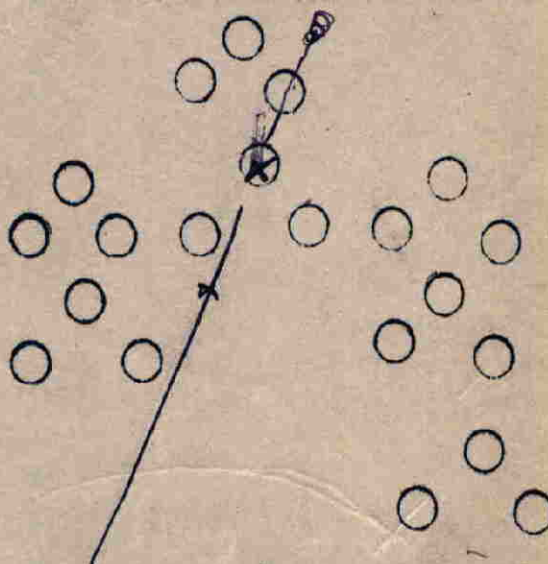
COMBAT REPORT

4 BW A-2. 6(1-8-43)

GROUP 1.00 SQN. 418 A/C 895 DATE 16 Mar.WHERE ATTACK 48-25NTOOK PLACE 09-16EHEIGHT 19500 TIME 1136

Our Heading	<u>60 mag</u>
Type of E/A	<u>FW 190</u>
Clock Pos.	<u>0700</u>
Attack Level	<u>Slightly low</u>

MARK A/C ATTACKED AND CLOCK POSITION



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COMPLETE STORY OF THE ATTACK:

3 FW 190's came in @ 07 o'clock, slightly low, in line abreast. When they were approx 600 yds distant, BT gunner started firing @ center A/C. And at approx 250 yds distant, FW 190 started smoking; BT gunner followed to approx 200 yds then turned B.T. around to follow him as he passed to 01 o'clock position; continued firing till E A/C was 300 yds away & he continued smoking, going down in loose skin.

Gunner responsible for E/A damage: 5/5 M.H. Boguminski Position BTOther gun positions firing on the same E/A NoneOther A/C firing at the same time at the same E/A: A/C Nos. None seen.

If E/A was shot down or damaged: Corroborated by:

sp J.J. Waly A/C No. 895 Position in A/C BT

_____ A/C No. _____ Position in A/C _____

_____ A/C No. _____ Position in A/C _____

Comments of interrogator:

INTERROGATOR

E.L. Johnson
capt

Time

1730

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COMBAT REPORT

GROUP 100 SQN. 350 G A/C 537 DATE 16/3/44

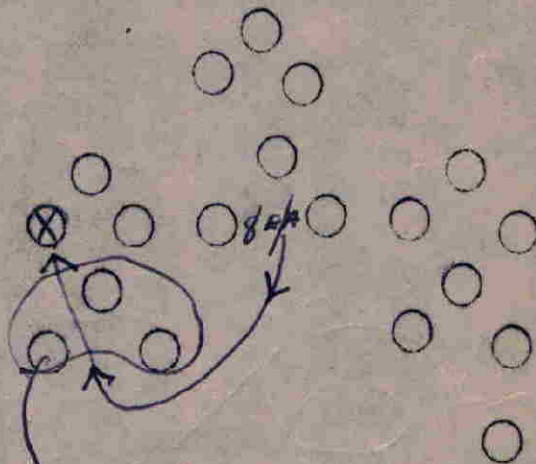
WHERE ATTACK

TOOK PLACE 4850 N 0800 E HEIGHT 19800 TIME 1031

Our Heading	<u>96°</u>
Type of E/A	<u>ME 110</u>
	<u>36</u>
Clock Pos.	<u>5:30</u>
Attack Level	<u>High to Level</u>

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MARK A/C ATTACKED AND CLOCK POSITION



COMPLETE STORY OF THE ATTACK:

This element wasn't in line of E/A flight - they were low.

8 E/A came in circle from 3 to 5:30 abreast. They fired rockets from 800 yards. Just before rockets fired, I opened up on #3 E/A on my right - I gave him 2 short bursts & he went down below stabilizer in tight spin to his right.

RW - saw above E/A continue down in tight spin 5,000' before I had to devote my attention to other matters.

Guiner responsible for E/A damage: T/Sgt. C. P. Lugnet Position TT

Other gun positions firing on the same E/A NONE

Other A/C firing at the same time at the same E/A: A/C Nos. any A/c in our formation may have fired on these 8 E/A.

If E/A was shot down or damaged: Corroborated by:

S/1 Sgt. L. B. Bowers A/C No. 537 Position in A/C RW

_____ A/C No. _____ Position in A/C _____

_____ A/C No. _____ Position in A/C _____

Comments of interrogator:

All crew saw part of this action but no further details available.

INTERROGATOR Capt. Hallinan Time _____

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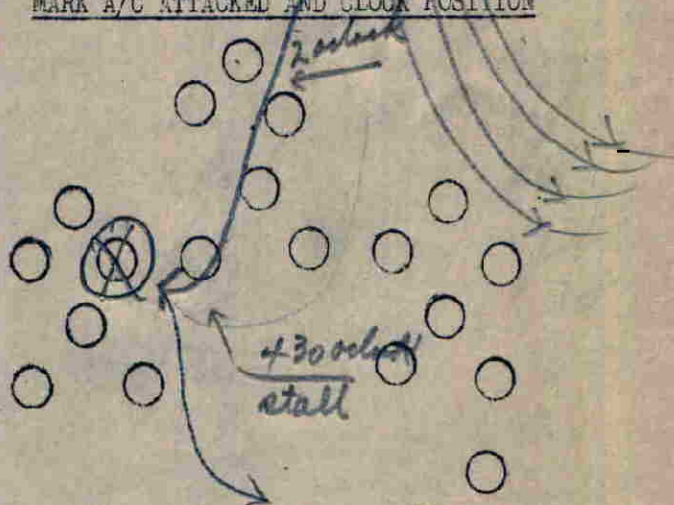
COMBAT REPORT

CROU. 1003 SQN. 350 A/C 074 DATE 16 Mar 44WHERE ATTACK TOOK PLACE 4836-1055 HEIGHT 20000 TIME 1145

Our Heading 60°
 Type of E/A ME 210
 Clock Pos. 430
 Attack Level Low

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 THIS SPACE

MARK A/C ATTACKED AND CLOCK POSITION



COMPLETE STORY OF THE ATTACK:

Came in at 2 o'clock - was lead ship of E/A group - rest peeled off - after coming in sight under tip of our right wing it chandelled up towards us, but firing to back of us - seemed to stall at top of chandelle and fell off to left - claim hit this ship on right side and smoke started as he fell off - we smoking badly when last seen just above undercage - no chuds - about 300/400 yards away when hit at top of stall.

Gunner responsible for E/A damage: S/Sgt W.H. Miller Position RWOther gun positions firing on the same E/A NoneOther A/C firing at the same time at the same E/A: A/C Nos. None

If E/A was shot down or damaged: Corroborated by:

S/Sgt L. Gennare A/C No. 074 Position in A/C TGS/Sgt N.A. Pardee A/C No. 074 Position in A/C BT

A/C No. _____ Position in A/C _____

Comments of interrogator:

INTERROGATOR [Signature]Time 1735

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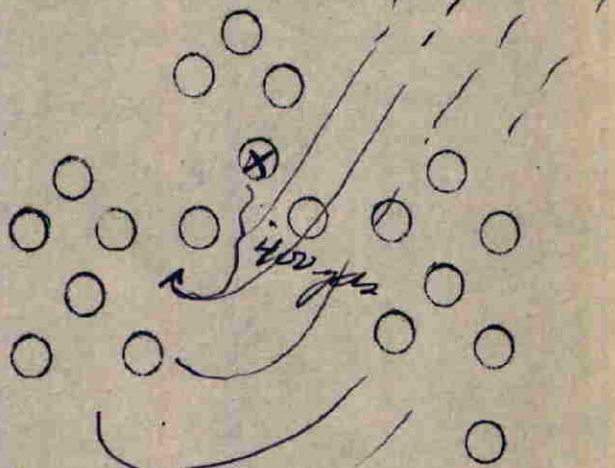
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COMBAT REPORT

GROUP 100 SQN. 418 A/C 895 DATE 16 May 44WHERE ATTACK 48-35 N
TOOK PLACE 10-00 EHEIGHT 19800 TIME 1150Our Heading 55 magType of E/A MHE 210Clock Pos. 0530Attack Level Level

MARK A/C ATTACKED AND CLOCK POSITION



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COMPLETE STORY OF THE ATTACK:

about 30 twin eng E AC came in line abreast in elements of 3 & 4, attacked entire group. They came in level @ after firing rockets at formation from approx 02 o'clock position. They all swept in turn to make tail attack on B-17 formation, firing rockets @ 400 yds range. 1st gunner bucked out one MHE 210 & started @ 400 yds level, 530 o'clock position. Engine started @ 350 yds. & started down @ 300 yds. still in right turn. 2nd gunner saw bullet ball out @ 0730 o'clock position, 800 yds below.

Gunner responsible for E/A damage: S/S R.L. Braswell Position T.E.Other gun positions firing on the same E/A noneOther A/C firing at the same time at the same E/A: A/C Nos. none seen

If E/A was shot down or damaged: Corroborated by:

S/S J.T. Penney Bras A/C No. 895 Position in A/C Bras

A/C No. _____ Position in A/C _____

A/C No. _____ Position in A/C _____

Comments of interrogator:

Possibility of same ac as Rv in same acINTERROGATOR E.L. JohnsonTime 1245

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Date _____

From _____

To _____

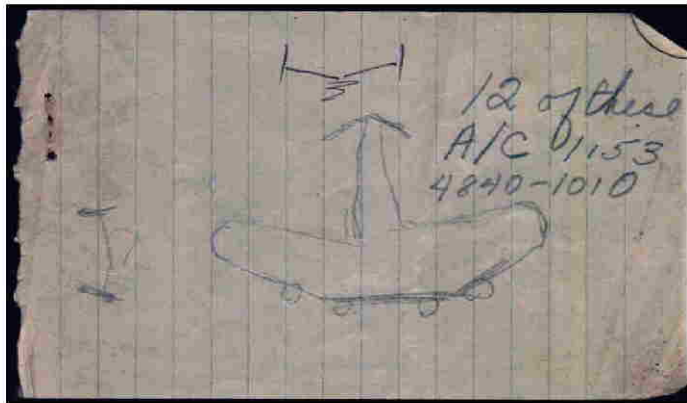
Place _____

Hour _____

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0930E

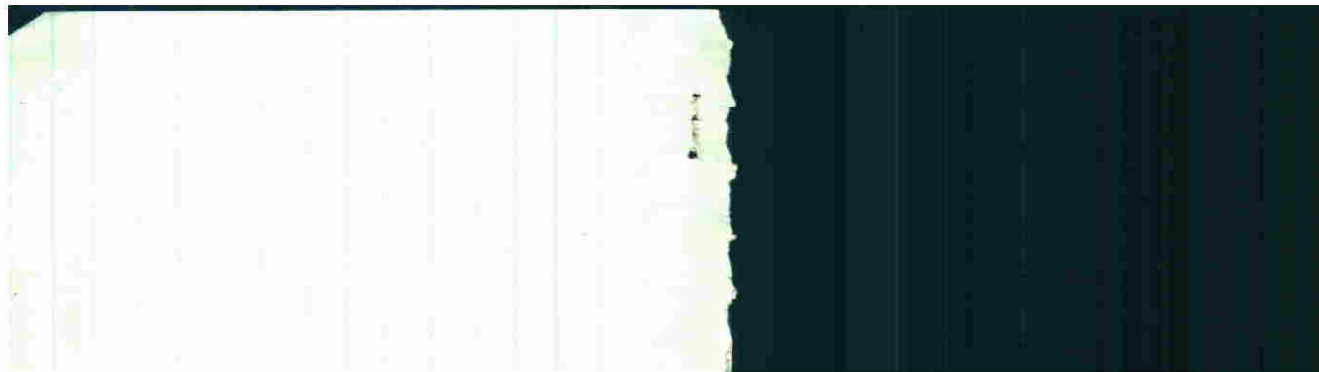
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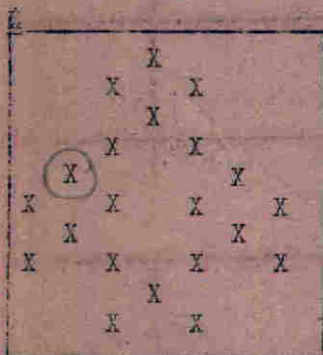
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INTERROGATION FORM

Position in formation
(at target)

Name _____

Name _____



<u>Lt. M. Cope</u>	P	<u>T/Sgt. J. Verbovski</u>	TT
<u>Lt. T. Cryan</u>	CP	<u>S/Sgt. R. E. Donnelly</u>	BT
<u>Lt. F. E. Bryant</u>	N	<u>S/Sgt. J. A. Richard</u>	RW
<u>Lt. L. D. Torbett</u>	B	<u>S/Sgt. J. E. Morrison</u>	LW
<u>T/Sgt. J. C. Eling</u>	RAD	<u>S/Sgt. L. E. Nye</u>	TC

SGT R.W. BATES

Illness or disability (Name)

Failure of Protective Eqp't. (Name)

No. & Size

Bomb Type

Results observed

On target 10×500

Yours:

Jettisoned

Br't back

Un'Act For

Others:

If target not
bombed - why?

If returned early
point of turning,
reason, time, altitude

ARMY FIGHTER OPPOSITION

(Separate Encounter for Each Combat)

25

NOTE: 12 4 engine turn tail

(No. E/S Seen)

(Numbers and Types)

Special markings and colors:
(Not previously reported).

Description of attack:
(Place-time-altitude)
(Duration - Intensity)

Enemy tactics and our countermeasures:

Air to Air bombing-
any unusual weapons

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ANTI - AIRCRAFT FIRE ;

Place	Height (Your ship)	Description Location of bursts in relation to A/C	Intensity

FRIENDLY AIRCRAFT LOST OR IN DISTRESS

(Group and A/C No. - Condition -
where down - chutes - any unusual
occurrences of interest - your altitude)

- ① 1303 1 chute seen - 48
mi. SE of [unclear]
② 1303 1 chute seen - 48
mi. SE of [unclear]
③ 1303 1 chute seen - 48
mi. SE of [unclear]

OBSERVATIONS OF CREW

- ① 2 rows of [unclear] around
a [unclear] [unclear] at
[unclear] [unclear] - [unclear] and
[unclear] [unclear] [unclear]

CREWS SUGGESTIONS

- ① No hot seat [unclear] [unclear] [unclear]

FIGHTER SUPPORT

*any [unclear] should [unclear] at
scheduled [unclear] - [unclear] [unclear]
engaged [unclear] dog fight*

INTERROGATOR'S OBSERVATIONS

THIS SHIP (WAS) (WAS NOT) SERIOUSLY / SLIGHTLY DAMAGED BY (AA) (E/A).

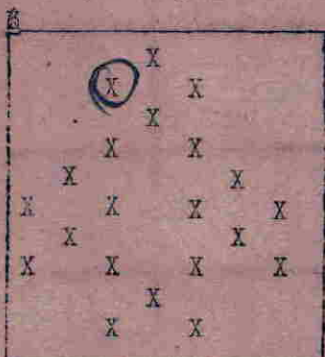
NO. E/A PROBABLY DESTROYED 0

INTERROGATION FORM

Position in formation
(at target)

name

Name _____



<u>Lt. J. C. Harper</u>	P	<u>T/Sgt. W. S. Carter</u>	PT
<u>Lt. T. L. Hulsey</u>	CP	<u>S/Sgt. J. S. Kyrre</u>	BT
<u>Lt. C. C. Gowing</u>	N	<u>S/Sgt. E. A. Podatowski</u>	FW
<u>Lt. W. A. Naegels</u>	B	<u>S/Sgt. T. C. Helming</u>	LW
<u>T/Sgt. R. E. Hudson</u>	Rad	<u>S/Sgt. J. L. Mank</u>	TC

CASUALTIES - Designate on above list by following symbols: Killed - (K)
 Seriously Wounded - (SW); Wounded - (W); Missing - (O)

Illness or disability (Name)

Failure of Protective Eqp. (Name)

TARGET BOMBED
(name)

No. & Size

Bomb Type

Results observed

On target 10x5m

Jettisoned

Br't back

Un'Act For

Results observed
at 1223 - 25 May
Yours: 19,900 feet -
on 877 -

Others:

If target not
bombed - why?

If returned early
point of turning,
reason, time, altitude

ENEMY FIGHTER OPPOSITION

(Separate Encounter for Each Combat)

30 ME 110's⁴ - 7W-1915 - 8 ME-109

(No. E/S Seen)

(Numbers and Types)

Special markings and colors:
(Not previously reported) (

(Not previously reported) *OK 1036 - 041 West E/A 22-*

Description of attack:

(Place-time-altitude)

(Duration - Intensity)

Enemy tactics and our countermeasures:

E 110 circled us and then went in on
w group - then 515 jumped them.

Air to Air bombing-
any unusual weapons

S/2 17/7/15/1.3

FRIENDLY AIRCRAFT LOST OR IN DISTRESS

(Group and A/C No. - Condition -

where down - chutes - any unusual

occurrences of interest - your altitude)

~~one~~ B-17 shot down by
ME-110 - thought to be
from low group - on fire at 1152 - left wing
on fire blazing hard - went straight down -
no chutes -

OBSERVATIONS OF CREW

another at 1038 [10 miles East of Epervan]
ME 109 hit it from 1st Division on our right -
plane spiraling down - one chute seen -
another at 1038 - on fire and out of formation.

CREW'S SUGGESTIONS

the strange B-17 picked up at 1249 after target
area [3830-0900] looked like a
shogler - ME 109's did not fire on it - all 4
engines going and looked as if ME 109's were
buzzing it - 2000 feet lower than our formation.

FIGHTER SUPPORT

at 1305 [4818-0803] one B-17 seen by Pilot
to hit ground + explode - no chute seen in
the area -

INTERROGATOR'S OBSERVATIONS

THIS SHIP (WAS) (WAS NOT) SERIOUSLY / SLIGHTLY DAMAGED BY (AA) (E/A).

NO. E/A PROBABLY DESTROYED _____

NO. E/A DAMAGED, _____

INTERROGATORS NAME

Bitch -
TG out of #1 or #2 324 Elements
high speed at P.T.'s
tracers in guns (Hulsey) Rays to clean guns
(all crew)

Crew 64

INTERROGATION FORM

GROUP 100 SQD 351 A/C NO. 389 LTR. - BOB LOAD 10x500 DATE 16-3-44

Position in formation (at target)	Rank	Name	Rank	Name
X	Lt.	Lacy, L. G.	P T/Sgt.	Carknard, C. J.
X	Lt.	Schindler, C. E.	CPS/Sgt.	Black, L., Jr.
X	Lt.	Franklin, A.	N S/Sgt.	Folson, J. S.
X	Lt.	Greenberg, H.	B S/Sgt.	Mitchell, R. J.
X	T/Sgt.	Wood, C. H., Jr.	RAS/Sgt.	Abney, R. D.

CASUALTIES - Designate on above list by following symbols: Killed - (K)
 Seriously Wounded - (SW); Wounded - (W); Missing - (O)

Illness or disability (Name) NONE

Failure of Protective Eqp (Name) NONE

TARGET BOMBED
 (name)

No. & Size

Bomb Type

Results observed

On target 10x500 GP

Yours:

Jettisoned Brt back Un'Act For

Others:

If target not
bombed - why?

If returned early
point of turning,
reason, time, altitude

ENEMY FIGHTER OPPOSITION

(Separate Encounter for Each Combat)

100 S/E/T/15
 (No. E/S Seen)

ME 109 - FW 190 - ME 110 - 410
 (Numbers and Types)

Special markings and colors:
(Not previously reported)

Description of attack:
(Place-time-altitude)
(Duration - Intensity)

Enemy tactics and our
countermeasures:

Air to Air bombing-
any unusual weapons

12/12/15/12

1038 (1000 ft alt of Chatham) about
60 E/P. Let group behind - attack lasted
10 min. One B-17 something ^{was down} ~~was down~~ ^{was down} ~~was down~~
and one pulled out after first round control
1154.
On way to 1 P. saw about 30
ME 110 and 410 and were firing rockets
1234. after target about 1000 ft ME 109 and
FW 190 did not attack in 30 min later saw
3000 B-17 going down, the 6th, 1st & 2nd before.

FRIENDLY AIRCRAFT LOST OR IN DISTRESS

(Group and A/C No. - Condition -
where down - chutes - any unusual
occurrences of interest - your altitude)

1023 ~~Boeing~~ (Boeing No. 141) Pulled out ahead of us.
1040 (other rule. Chalon) B17 from 390 aborted - also the smoking B17
1225 (Lagard) Two B17 went to Switzerland. Pulled out from ahead and
OBSERVATIONS OF CREW slightly above.

at Margny observed what looked to be factory
building which looked like diagram. - Not
drawn. Gately that many buildings (24)

CREW SUGGESTIONS Low - 1 electric chute on 2 different occasions and
the chute went out. Poor maintenance - Crew.
Heater ship grounded at 15000 ft and went near Pilot.

FIGHTER SUPPORT

OK

INTERROGATOR'S OBSERVATIONS

THIS SHIP (WAS) (WAS NOT) ~~SEVERELY~~ SLIGHTLY DAMAGED BY (AA) (F/A).

NO. F/A PROBABLY DESTROYED 0

NO. F/A DAMAGED, 0

INTERROGATORS NAME

Burman

Robert

Crew 16

C.B. HARPER

INTERROGATION FORM

GROUP 100 SSD 350 A/C NO. 537 LTR. BOB LOAD 10x500 DATE 16/3/44

Position in formation (at target)	Rank	Name	Rank	Name
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		<u>Lt. R. S. Flanagan</u>	CP	<u>S/Sgt. A. F. Curlee</u> BT
		<u>Lt. C. T. Hardiman</u>	N	<u>S/Sgt. W. A. Dobbs</u> RW
		<u>Lt. A. E. Cox</u>	S	<u>S/Sgt. J. E. Powers</u> LW
		<u>T/Sgt. A. E. James</u>	RALS	<u>Sgt. A. R. Frank</u> TG

CASUALTIES - Designate on above list by following symbols: Killed - (K)
Seriously Wounded - (SW); Wounded - (W); Missing - (O)
Illness or disability (Name) None
Failure of Protective Eqpt. (Name) _____

TARGET BOMBED

*Bombed on 8/10 the coverage
Lead - 19,900'
220°M. - 1223 hrs.*

(name)	No. & Size	Bomb Type	Results observed
On target	<u>10 X 500</u>	<u>Sp.</u>	Yours: <u>20 min. after target, black-greyish smoke seen above target.</u> Others:
Jettisoned	_____	_____	
Brt back	_____	_____	
Un'Act For	_____	_____	

If target not bombed - why?

If returned early point of turning, reason, time, altitude

ENEMY FIGHTER OPPOSITION

(Separate Encounter for Each Combat)

20-25 ME 109 - silver & black.
5 ME 10 - dark brown or black
25 ME 110 - black (rocket equipped - made them look like 4 eng., until rockets fired.)
(No. E/S Seen) (Numbers and Types)
Special markings and colors: (Not previously reported)
Description of attack: (Place-time-altitude) (Duration - Intensity)
Enemy tactics and our countermeasures:
Air to Air bombing - any unusual weapons

all except ME 109's were around before target - E/A played around like secret; when support left at 1031, first attack made ~~at~~ about 3 to 5 o'clock level & high & pressed fr 6 to 800 yds.

FRIENDLY AIRCRAFT LOST OR IN DISTRESS

(Group and A/C No. - Condition -

where down - chutes - any unusual

occurrences of interest - your altitude)

② at 4810N-0800E, 5 chutes came out of B-17 flying on cloud deck - 17 then went into steep dive - no eng. trouble apparent. no E/A around.

① B-17 fr. exp. on left knocked out

Information by 8 ME109's

attacking ^{two} about fr all clock

positions about 15 min. after target. long feathered - under control - no chutes.

no eng. trouble apparent. no E/A around.

OBSERVATIONS OF CREWNONE
NoneCREWS SUGGESTIONS

① Want interphone filed - this has been reported before & is preventing crew members advising Nav. of observations of E/A attacks.

FIGHTER SUPPORTGood - ~~none~~ close support.INTERROGATOR'S OBSERVATIONS

THIS SHIP (WAS) (WAS NOT) SERIOUSLY / SLIGHTLY DAMAGED BY (AA) (E/A). NONE

NO. E/A PROBABLY DESTROYED _____

NO. E/A DAMAGED. _____

S NAME

Capt. Holliman

Enemy Flights

TIME
~~1054~~ - 48° 11.04° 27 - 14700 - 6 PW 190's came in at 200 and attacked wing at right of this group - 2 B-17's went down - Tail of one caught fire + it blew up - (no chute) other turned about smoking.

TIME
~~1145~~ - 48° 36-09° 50 - 19760 - 26 ~~190~~ TWIN ENGINE FIGHTERS (210 + 110's) at 300 - 5 ahead - came down under group - intercepted by P-51's - —.

TIME
~~1151~~ - 48° 44-10° 23 - 19880 (SAME FIGHTERS) Knocked out 2 B-17's from 60 BEHIND - ① IN PLANE NO CHUTE ② STARTED IN SLOW SPIN FLIPPED OVER ON BACK - WENT INTO DIVE - LAST SEEN GOING THRU CLOUDS.

TIME
~~1240~~ - 48° 24-09° 50 - 16400 - 15 PW 190's - FLYING JUST ABOVE CLOUDS STUNG OUT - LOOKING FOR STRAGGLERS? —

TIME
~~1249~~ - 48° 28-09° 03 - 14900 - 10 ENEMY FIGHTERS ^{FOR} STILL IN VICINITY - STRAGGLERS - (ASSUMED BURN TANKS ON THEM)

OBSERVATION (cont'd)

TIME
~~1302~~ - 48° 17-08° 00 - 14600 - SAW 7 chutes at 10300 or low on top of clouds - LAST SEEN - B-17 GOING THRU CLOUDS NOSE FIRST AT 11000 AHEAD. —

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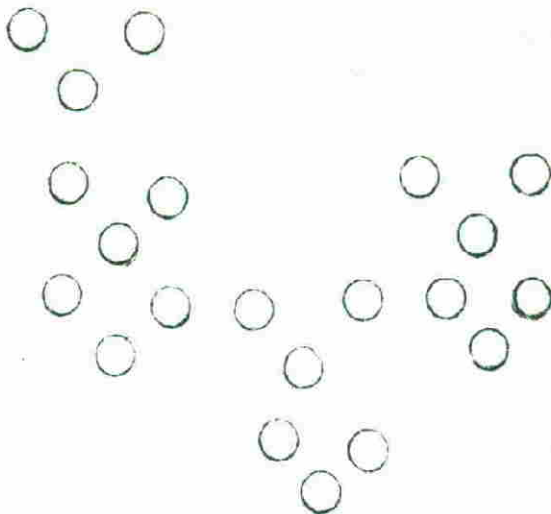
_____ A/C No. _____ Position in A/C
 _____ A/C No. _____ Position in A/C
 _____ A/C No. _____ Position in A/C

_____ If E/A was shot down or damaged: Corroborated by: _____

_____ Other A/C firing at the same time at the same E/A: A/C Nos. _____

_____ Other gun positions firing on the same E/A _____

_____ Gunner responsible for E/A damage: _____ Position _____



COMPLETE STORY OF THE ATTACK:

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Our heading _____
 Type of E/A _____
 Clock Pos. _____
 Attack Level _____

MARK A/C ATTACKED AND CLOCK POSITION

GROUP _____ SON. _____ A/C _____ DATE _____
 WHERE ATTACK TOOK PLACE _____ HEIGHT _____ TIME _____

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INTERROGATION FORM

Position in formation
(at target)

Rank

Name _____

Rank

Name _____

Lt. R. R. Kroske P T/Sgt. J. J. Good TQ

Lt. W. T. Fitzroy CP S/Sgt. G. A. Benedict BT

Lt. J. E. Longnecker N Sgt. G. Winkler PW

Lt. J. A. Carty B S/Sgt. A. B. Roberts LW

T/Sgt. E. E. Postel RAD S/Egt. P. K. Troestcheff

Illness or disability (Name) _____

Failure of Protective Eopt. (Name) _____

No. & Size

Bomb Type

Results observed:

On target 10 5 00

Jettisoned

Br't back

Un'Act For

Yours: Colin in the
9th of the 1st
believe were one
Others: dragging
were able to
identify I P

If target not
bombed - why?

If returned early
point of turning,
reasons, time, altitude

ENEMY FIGHTER OPPOSITION

(Separate Encounter for Each Combat)

30 EA-20ME110; 5FW190; 1517E109 — 99 me
(No. E/S Seen) (Numbers and Types)

Special markings and colors:
(Not previously reported)

Description of attack:
(Place-time-altitude
(Duration - Intensity

Enemy tactics and our countermeasures:

Air to Air bombing-
any unusual weapons

0/0 27/0/0/0/0

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FRIENDLY AIRCRAFT LOST OR IN DISTRESS

(Group and A/C No. - Condition -

where down - chutes - any unusual

occurrences of interest - your altitude)

1 B17 down at 1038
was badly on fire
218° 41' N 104° 20' E

1 B17 at 1154.

OBSERVATIONS OF CREWCREW'S SUGGESTIONSComplaint about oxygen
system. Had promised to fix it
this afternoon this morning.FIGHTER SUPPORTNeed ~~more~~ more plastic noise.
It's gun is loose in B.T.

Very good -

INTERROGATOR'S OBSERVATIONSTHIS SHIP (WAS) (~~WAS NOT~~) SERIOUSLY / SLIGHTLY DAMAGED BY (AA) (~~E/A~~).

NO. E/A PROBABLY DESTROYED _____

NO. E/A DAMAGED, _____

S NAME

Walter H. Johnson
Capt.

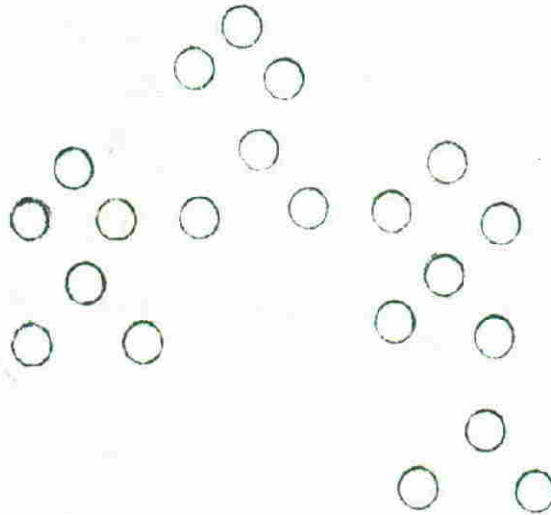
1st. fighters were ME 109s at
1038 - about 8 & stayed about 2 or
3 min. - they shot down B17 - this at
48° 40'N 04° 20'E

2nd. group fighters at 1154 just
before IP - 20 ME 110s stayed
about 3 or 4 min. shooting rockets
at group to our left - 1 B17 went
down out of that group.

Saw also 4 to 5 FW 190 which
just went by & made no pass,
all at same location, IP.

Our Heading _____
 Type of E/A: _____
 Clock Pos. _____
 Attack Level _____

DO NOT
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 THIS SPACE



COMPLETE STORY OF THE ATTACK:

Gunner responsible for E/A damage: _____ Position _____

Other gun positions firing on the same E/A: _____

Other A/C firing at the same time at the same E/A: A/C Nos. _____

If E/A was shot down or damaged: Corroborated by:

_____ A/C No. _____ Position in A/C _____

_____ A/C No. _____ Position in A/C _____

_____ A/C No. _____ Position in A/C _____

Comments of interrogator:

INTERROGATOR _____ Time _____

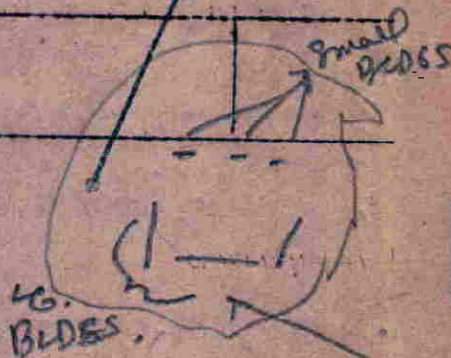
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ANTI - AIRCRAFT FIRE ;

Place	Height (Your ship)	Description Location of bursts in relation to A/C	Intensity

FRIENDLY AIRCRAFT LOST OR IN DISTRESS
(Group and A/C No. - Condition -
where down - chutes - any unusual
occurrences of interest - your altitude)

OTHER



OBSERVATIONS OF CREW

1347 - ? - 14500 - EXCAVATION - SIDE OF HILL
COTTERED - 16 DOLLS IN SIDE - STORAGE DEPOT?
1324 - 48036-06010 - 14710 - INSULATION - SQUARE
IN CIRCLE OF WOODS - DITCH AROUND - DOORS IN SIDE.
- 1476 - 4973 - 0306 - 14620 - 6 BLDGS. IN WOODS

CREW'S SUGGESTIONS

AW - WANTS TO EXCHANGE GAUNTLETS - TOO SMALL - IMPROVE
MANIPULATION - MATTRESS COVERS OR SHEETS - FLASHLIGHTS
FOR CREW - WARE SITE #2 - LAD SPEAKER -

FIGHTER SUPPORT

VERY GOOD

INTERROGATOR'S OBSERVATIONS

THIS SHIP (WAS) (WAS NOT) SERIOUSLY / SLIGHTLY DAMAGED BY (AA) (E/A).

NO. E/A PROBABLY DESTROYED _____

NO. E/A DAMAGED. _____

S NAME

Boeing

			X	
	X		X	
			X	
	X		X	
X	X		X	X
	X		X	X
X	X	X	X	X
		X		
	X	X		

Lt. Morgan, L. R. P T/Sgt. Lobb, M. J. TT
 Lt. Ward, R. O. CP S/Sgt. Lyon, D. C. BT
 Lt. McCormick, R. E. N S/Sgt. Klackner, H. C. RW
 S/Sgt. Lafave, S. J. B S/Sgt. Lash, K. R. LW
 T/Sgt. Verdusco, T. L. RAD S/Sgt. Gomez, E. R. TC

CASUALTIES - Designate on above list by following symbols: Killed - (K)
 Seriously Wounded - (SW); Wounded - (W); Missing - (O)

Illness or disability (Name) _____

Failure of Protective Eqpt. (Name) _____

TARGET BOMBED
 (name)

No. & Size

Bomb Type

Results observed

On target

10 / 500

Yours:

10/10

Jettisoned

Br't back

Others:

NO OBS.
10/10

Un'Act For

If target not bombed - why?

If returned early point of turning, reason, time, altitude

ENEMY FIGHTER OPPOSITION

(Separate Encounter for Each Combat)

ON SEPARATE SHEET ATTACHED

(No. E/S Seen)

(Numbers and Types)

Special markings and colors:
(Not previously reported)

Description of attack:
(Place-time-altitude)
(Duration - Intensity)

Enemy tactics and our countermeasures:

Air to Air bombing-
any unusual weapons

F/A 72
1st. attack

AK 1038 about 50 E/FK hit
two wings on the right -
they were FW 190 perhaps
2 or 3 ME 109's. They made
2 passes & stayed about 5 min.
Some individual shots after this
~~2nd attack~~ but none on the group.
The above attack made between
time 47's left + 38's came in
This at $48^{\circ}46'N$ $04^{\circ}35'E$

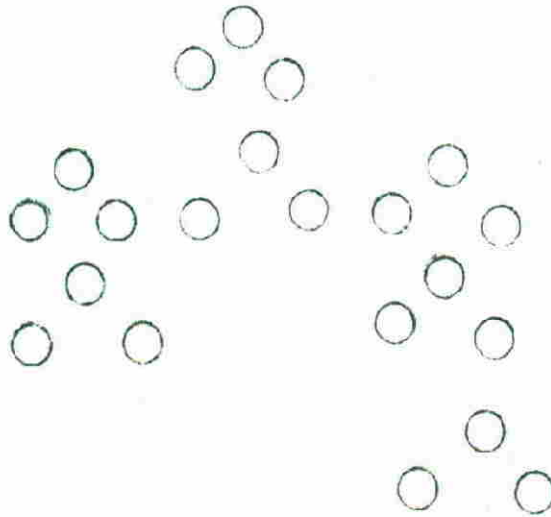
2nd attack :-

AK 1137 about 25 ME 1100
+ FW 1900 - ME 1100 attacking
group below + to our left
shooting rockets - came in
high & down in group
formation & then up under
low group - scattered & started
shooting rockets -
shot 1000 yds. from our
group & to 700 from low
group - shot down 1 B-17 but
flew up.

This $48^{\circ}52'N$ $09^{\circ}40'E$.
This happened after 38's
left + before 51's came in.
They made only one attack.
They stayed 5 to 8 min.

Our Heading _____
Type of E/A _____
Clock Pos. _____
Attack Level _____

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COMPLETE STORY OF THE ATTACK:

Gunner responsible for E/A damage: _____ Position _____

Other gun positions firing on the same E/A _____

Other A/C firing at the same time at the same E/A: A/C Nos. _____

If E/A was shot down or damaged: Corroborated by: _____

_____ A/C No. _____ Position in A/C _____

_____ A/C No. _____ Position in A/C _____

_____ A/C No. _____ Position in A/C _____

Comments of interrogator: _____

INTERROGATOR _____ Time _____

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1255-4804-0800 ^{6th} FW 190's came in from 200
level - made pass from High to low single file
and went chubb group. (1 HAD ORANGE WAVE TIP.)

1249-4808-0830 - 8 to 10 PW's in vicinity - us attack
looking for stragglers.

B-17's.

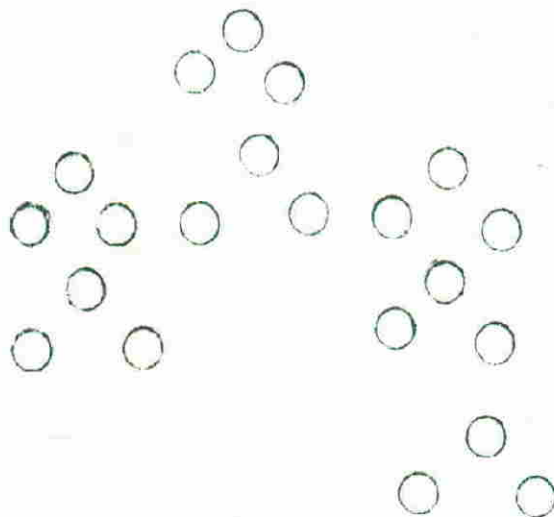
1130-48020-0905-20000- ONE B-17
LOSING ALTITUDE AT 11 O'CLOCK - UNDER CONTROL.

1225- TARGET-19900 - ~~ONE~~ 2-B-17's losing
ALTITUDE - WENT THROUGH CLOUDS - AT 9 OC.

Folkier

Our Heading _____
 Type of E/A _____
 Clock Pos. _____
 Attack Level _____

DO NOT
 WRITE IN
 THIS SPACE



COMPLETE STORY OF THE ATTACK:

Owner responsible for E/A damage: _____ Position _____

Other gun positions firing on the same E/A _____

Other A/C firing at the same time at the same E/A: A/C Nos. _____

If E/A was shot down or damaged: Corroborated by:

_____ A/C No. _____ Position in A/C _____

_____ A/C No. _____ Position in A/C _____

_____ A/C No. _____ Position in A/C _____

Comments of interrogator:

INTERROGATOR _____ Time _____

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A - AIRCRAFT FIRE :

Place	Height (Your ship)	Description Location of bursts in relation to A/C	Intensity

FRIENDLY AIRCRAFT LOST OR IN DISTRESS

(Group and A/C No. - Condition -

where down - chutes - any unusual

occurrences of interest - your altitude)

1-B-17-1154 - blew up.
from group on
over right.

7 chutes - No A/C - 1304

1248 - 1B-17 - headed for West Island - attached by
F/A - 5 chutes - A/C exploded.

OBSERVATIONS OF CREW

blew up - hit by rocket.
undercast.

CREWS SUGGESTIONS

1. tracers wanted T.G.

FIGHTER SUPPORT

Very good on way in,
Poor on way back.

INTERROGATOR'S OBSERVATIONS

THIS SHIP (WAS) (WAS NOT) SERIOUSLY / (SLIGHTLY DAMAGED BY (AA) (R/A).

NO. E/A PROBABLY DESTROYED

NO. E/A DAMAGED.

INTERROGATOR'S NAME

L. W. Sheets

2 holes - 1 left stabilizer -
1 crane on tail.

Failure of Protective Eqpt. (Name) _____

On target _____
Jettisoned _____
Br't back _____
Un'Act For _____

Yours: _____
Others: _____

target was Com
undercast.

Amberg
1223
253 MH
30,000

If target not
bombed - why?

Results Observed
Dropped on
Leaden.

If returned early
point of turning,
reason, time, altitude

ENEMY FIGHTER OPPOSITION

(Separate Encounter for Each Combat)

(No. E/S Seen)

(Numbers and Types)

Special markings and colors:
(Not previously reported)

Description of attack:
(Place-time-altitude)
(Duration - Intensity)

Enemy tactics and our countermeasures:

Air to Air bombing-
any unusual weapons

INTERROGATION FOR

GROUP 100 S&D 350 A/C NO. 074 LTR. BOMB LOAD 10x500 DATE 16/2/44

Position in formation
(at target)

Rank

Name _____

Rank

Name _____

A 10x10 grid of 'X' marks. The grid is as follows:

				X					
		X			X				
			X						
		X	X		X				
	X		X	X			X		
		X	X		X			X	
X			X				X		
	X			X	X				X
			X			X			

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Lt. F. J. Malooly P S/Sgt. A. J. Parry TT

It. R. W. Baillie CP S/Sgt. E. A. Parden BT

Lt. C. H. Mauvais / N S/Sgt. W. H. Miller / RW

Lt. R. W. Guida S/ S/Sgt. L. W. Yeager LW

Sgt. R. C. Barrie RADS/Sgt. L. Genovese TG

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 Seriously Wounded - (SW); Wounded - (I); Missing - (O)

Illness or disability (Name)

Failure of Protective Eqp. (Name)

TARGET BOMBED
(name)

No. & Size

Bomb Type

Results observed:

On target

10x500

不

Yours:

Jettisoned

Br't back

Un'Act For

Others:

If target not
bombed - why?

If returned early
point of turning,
reason, time, altitude

ENEMY, FIGHTER OPPOSITION

attack at 1145
by 20 ME 2108 110
(No. 1/3 Seen)

Special markings and colors:
(Not previously reported)

Description of attack:
(Place-time-altitude)
(Duration - Intensity)

Enemy tactics and our countermeasures:

Air to Air bombing-
any unusual weapons

Que claim - parabolle

(Separate Encounter for Each Combat)

20-20 ME 110 and 210

30 & over ME 109 & PW 190
(Numbers and Types)

Twin engines & tail-dark color -
single engine fighters were
R-10s

see claim pamphlet sheet

FRIENDLY AIRCRAFT LOST OR IN DISTRESS

(Group and A/C No. - Condition -

where down - chutes - any unusual occurrences of interest - your altitude)

① B.17 at 1145 - (4836-1055)
 heading 60° - hit
 by rockets - caught fire & blew up -
 no chutes.

OBSERVATIONS OF CREW

at 1300 - ① B.17 - (4850-0600) 275°
 attacked by 5 fighters - was straggling -
 believed caught up with other group &
 not shot down.

CREWS SUGGESTIONSFIGHTER SUPPORT

Briefed report was ok - no damage
 in target area.

INTERROGATOR'S OBSERVATIONS

THIS SHIP (WAS) (WAS NOT) SERIOUSLY / SLIGHTLY DAMAGED BY (AA) (E/A).

NO. E/A PROBABLY DESTROYED - ①

NO. E/A DAMAGED. _____

S NAME _____

Crew 20

Zeller

INTERROGATION FORM

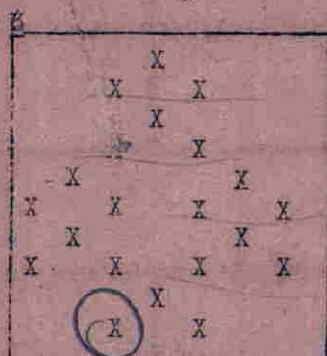
GROUP 100 SQD 351 A/C NO. 708 LTR. BOMB LOAD 10x500 DATE 16-3-44Position in formation
(at target)

Rank

Name

Rank

Name



Capt. Zeller, J. L. P S/Sgt. Lynch, D. A. TT

Lt. Bowen, W. L. CP Sgt. Friedman, M. BT

Lt. Bonitz, G. E. N Cpl Grimes, C. L. RW

F/O White, D. L. B Sgt. Frederick, W. H. LW

S/Sgt. Hendricks, H. J. RAISgt. Lombardi, W. V. TG

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TARGET BOMBED

(name)

No. & Size

Bomb Type

Results observed

Aug 5 BORG AREA

On target

10x500

GP -

Yours: 10/10

Jettisoned

Br't back

Others:

Un'Act For

If target not
bombed - why?If returned early
point of turning,
reason, time, altitude

ENEMY FIGHTER OPPOSITION

(Separate Encounter for Each Combat)

(No. E/S Seen)

(Numbers and Types)

Special markings and colors:
(Not previously reported)Description of attack:
(Place-time-altitude)
(Duration - Intensity)Enemy tactics and our
countermeasures:Air to Air bombing-
any unusual weapons

2/2 17/7/15/43

Rockets used - New Crew - not much known

FRIENDLY AIRCRAFT LOST OR IN DISTRESS

(Group and A/C No. - Condition)

where down - chutes - any unusual

occurrences of interest - your altitude)

1-B17 in wing ahead of us
 went down - 1304 hours
 about 10 to 15 miles SE of Strasbourg on heading 278°
 5 chutes seen.

OBSERVATIONS OF CREW

New crew

CREW'S SUGGESTIONS

CP - Transputation place in the A.M.

FIGHTER SUPPORT

Good

INTERROGATOR'S OBSERVATIONS

THIS SHIP (WAS) ~~(S/S) SERIOUSLY~~ / SLIGHTLY DAMAGED BY ~~(F/A)~~ (W/A).

NO. F/A PROBABLY DESTROYED

NO. F/A DAMAGED.

INTERROGATOR'S NAME

[Signature]

Crew no. 31

FERRBRACHE

INTERROGATION FORM

GROUP 11100 SCD 118 A/C NO. 090 LTR. 16/3/44 BOMB LOAD 16x500 DATE 16/3/44

Position in formation (at target)	Rank	Name	Rank	Name
X	Lt. E. E. Ferbrache	P	T/Sgt. H. H. Patterson	TT
X	Lt. A. D. Slatinsky	CP	S/Sgt. W. T. Behr	BT
X	Lt. B. Hufsey	N	S/Sgt. C. H. Leming	RW
X	Lt. D. N. Hegge	B	S/Sgt. J. J. Strang	LW
X	T/Sgt. J. F. Lucarelli	RAD	S/Sgt. H. O. Williams	TG

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Illness or disability (Name) _____

Failure of Protective Eqpt. (Name) _____

Dropped 0/1 PF

TARGET BOMBED
(name)

No. & Size

Bomb Type

Results observed

1222 HRS

On target

10/500

Yours:

10/10
COVER

19900 ALT.

Jettisoned

251° MAG.

Br't back

Others:

Un'Act For

If target not
bombed - why?If returned early
point of turning,
reason, time, altitude

TIME

ENEMY FIGHTER OPPOSITION

(Separate Encounter for Each Combat)

1038-4804-0427-20000-6 SE FW 190's attacked GP 30 miles - 1 B-17 with down
 1135-4804-0915-20000-7 FW 190's (silver) came in at 11 o'clock - first at GP.
 1152-4804-1015-20000-15 ME 210 at 3 o'clock low - came at GP and attached
 1243-4804-1045-20000-7 FW 190's were attacking 1 (Numbers and Types) lower at 5 o'clock.
 Special markings and colors: Strapped at 10 o'clock low - 3 B-17's with down
 (Not previously reported) wheels down - 4th SEEN making passes at GP

Description of attack:
 (Place-time-altitude)
 (Duration - Intensity)

Enemy tactics and our
 countermeasures:

Air to Air bombing-
 any unusual weapons

FRIENDLY AIRCRAFT LOST OR IN DISTRESS

(Group and A/C No. - Condition -

where down - chutes - any unusual

occurrences of interest - your altitude)

→ Sheet Attached.

4951-0137-14700-310°-AIRFIELD AT 4 O'CLOCK

primary
secondary
radio

OBSERVATIONS OF CREW

CREW'S SUGGESTIONS

FRESH EGGS - PARACHUTES NO GOOD - GONNER'S
DROPPED DIFFERENTLY FROM O'S ON FIGHTER'S SUPPORT -
P 47'S DROPPED BELL TANKS WHILE ABOVE THIS GP.
(LWG)

FIGHTER SUPPORT

Good —

INTERROGATOR'S OBSERVATIONS

THIS SHIP ~~WAS~~ (WAS NOT) SERIOUSLY / SLIGHTLY DAMAGED BY (AA) (E/A).

NO. E/A PROBABLY DESTROYED _____

NO. E/A DAMAGED. _____

NAME

[Signature]

Crew # 17

INTERROGATION FORM

GROUP 100 SCD 350 A/C NO. 009 LTR. BOMB LOAD 10x500 DATE 16/3/44

Position in formation (at target)	Rank	Name	Rank	Name
X	Lt.	E. P. Noordyk	S/Sgt.	R. W. Myers
X	Lt.	J. R. Crichton	Sgt.	G. L. Langdon
X	Lt.	E. Aite	Sgt.	J. E. Himpel
X	Lt.	D. M. Bailey	Sgt.	J. A. Meade
X	S/Sgt.	M. L. Brown	Sgt.	E. E. Gardner

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 Seriously Wounded - (SW); Wounded - (W); Missing - (O)

Illness or disability (Name) _____

Failure of Protective Eqpt. (Name) _____

TARGET BOMBED
 (name)

No. & Size	Bomb Type	Results observed
On target <u>10x500</u>		Bombs away at
Jettisoned _____		Yours: <u>1223 1/2 - 19,600'</u>
Br't back _____		May head <u>2430</u>
Un'Act For _____		Others: <u>on P77</u>

If target not bombed - why?

If returned early
point of turning,
reason, time, altitude

ENEMY FIGHTER OPPOSITION (57R) (Separate Encounter for Each Combat)

3-4 ME 210's
1 ME 110 - 1-ME-109

(No. E/S Seen) (Numbers and Types)
 Special markings and colors:
 (Not previously reported)

Description of attack:
 (Place-time-altitude)
 (Duration - Intensity)

Enemy tactics and our
 countermeasures:

Air to Air bombing-
 any unusual weapons

FRIENDLY AIRCRAFT LOST OR IN DISTRESS

(Group and A/C No. - Condition -

where down - chutes - any unusual occurrences of interest - your altitude)

1-B-17 at IP- on NE heading
 Don't know whether E/A or by
 flare - left wing on fire + went into dive. Disintegrated
 in mid air from group ("g") -
 at 1310-[3820-0815] 1-B-17 - 2 E/A attacking it
OBSERVATIONS OF CREW for it was a shoglen - 6 chutes
 seen - slow spiral to left - no fire seen -
 into under cast -

1-B-17 had engine on fire seen below 1130-1235
 over frame - from high group - no flare - or E/A
CREW'S SUGGESTIONS flew along for 10 min then peeled
 off into clouds in attempt to put fire out.

FIGHTER SUPPORT

good into target - 51's on target seen dropping
 tanks

INTERROGATOR'S OBSERVATIONS

THIS SHIP (WAS) (WAS NOT) SERIOUSLY / SLIGHTLY DAMAGED BY (AA) (E/A).

NO. E/A PROBABLY DESTROYED _____

NO. E/A DAMAGED. _____

1-B-17 seen with top part of stabilizer - vertical
 shot of right after target - went into
 haze clouds - no chutes seen -
 S NAME JPB

More

Co. 1st

Co. 1st

Name _____

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REV

LW

Illness or disability (Name)

Failure of Protective Eqp. (Name)

(name)

Bomb Type

Results observed

On target

Jettisoned

Br't back

Un'Act For

Yours:

Others:

If target not
bombed - why?

If returned early
point of turning,
reason, time, altitude

ENEMY FIGHTER OPPOSITION

(Separate Encounter for Each Combat)

(No. E/S Seen)

(Numbers and Types)

Special markings and colors:
(Not previously reported)

Description of attack:
(Place-time-altitude)
(Duration - Intensity)

Enemy tactics and our countermeasures:

Air to Air bombing-
any unusual weapons

FRIENDLY AIRCRAFT LOST OR IN DISTRESS

(Group and A/C No. - Condition -
where down - chutes - any unusual
occurrences of interest - your altitude)

OBSERVATIONS OF CREW

04° 35' E tail on fire, turned
out of formation, headed for coast &
went down slowly.
On 45° 52' 64° 41' E 1 B17
seen - no chutes - mass of flames &
smoke from tail on way back
B17. 1303. saw 2 chutes.
8000 ft from observer ahead after
being attacked by 4 E/A.

FIGHTER SUPPORT

Good with exception of the
groups leaving the Mexican
border.

INTERROGATOR'S OBSERVATIONS

THIS SHIP (WAS) (WAS NOT) SERIOUSLY / SLIGHTLY DAMAGED BY (AA) (E/A).

NO. E/A PROBABLY DESTROYED _____

NO. E/A DAMAGED. _____

INTERROGATOR'S NAME

Walter H. Hildebrand
Capt.

Crew 1

INTERROGATION FORM

GROUP 100 SQD 349 A/C NO. 723 LTR. BOMB LOAD 10x500 DATE 16-3-44

Position in formation (at target)	Rank	Name	Rank	Name
X	Lt.	Mason, F. H.	Pt/Sgt.	Ellsworth, R. G. TT
X	Lt.	Shaddix, W. C.	CPS/Sgt.	Westlake, G. BT
X	Lt.	Dishion, W. J.	NS/Sgt.	Levee, C. E. RW
X	Lt.	Knezo, A.	BS/Sgt.	Bubanks, J. E. LW
X	T/Sgt.	Gutsch, D. D.	RADS/Sgt.	Tarr, F. E. TC

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 Seriously Wounded - (SW); Wounded - (W); Missing - (O)

Illness or disability (Name) _____

Failure of Protective Eqp. (Name) _____

TARGET BOMBED
 (name)

No. & Size

Bomb Type

Results observed

On target

10 X 500

Yours:

Jettisoned

Br't back

Un'Aet For

Others:

If target not
 bombed - why?

If returned early
 point of turning,
 reason, time, altitude

ENEMY FIGHTER OPPOSITION

(Separate Encounter for Each Combat)

60 - mostly TE (No 110s) firing
 (No. E/F Seen) (Numbers and Types)

Special markings and colors:
 (Not previously reported)

Description of attack:
 (Place-time-altitude)
 (Duration - Intensity)

Enemy tactics and our
 countermeasures:

Air to Air bombing-
 any unusual weapons

FRIENDLY AIRCRAFT LOST OR IN DISTRESS

(Group and A/C No. - Condition -

where down - chutes - any unusual

occurrences of interest - your altitude)

- ① 1041 B17 from gp to right down in valley no chute
 ② 1154 3 B17 = 704 and to right going down
 ③ 1303 B17 = 1303 exploded gp below + left. No chute

OBSERVATIONS OF CREW

- ① 1342 - Cross in valley - large white smoke NW of town
 in southern part of woods (4843-0542)
 ② 1356 (4844-0448) Lt of light activity + storage + large
 construction work located SW at Ternaige 4. down

CREWS SUGGESTIONS

- ③ 6 long Bldgs at (4823-0135) before
 1041 - grey colored - Tearing circular
 holes - no runways or aprons

FIGHTER SUPPORT

As previously reported

INTERROGATOR'S OBSERVATIONS

THIS SHIP (WAS) (WAS NOT) SERIOUSLY / SLIGHTLY DAMAGED BY (AA) (E/A).

NO. E/A PROBABLY DESTROYED _____

NO. E/A DAMAGED _____

- ① Request glances to avoid Sun glare. It's
 turning + E/A attack from Sun
 ① Jerry Chow for 4 hour trip
 ② Don't want responsibility of money pouch
 ③ Like area covered with our aircraft
 staying out so as not to get E/A close in

S NAME _____

~~Ver. 1950~~
Townsend

GROUP 100 SQD 349 A/C NO. 783 LTR. BOMB LOAD 10x500 DATE 16-3-44

Rank

Name _____

Rank

Name _____

A diagram showing a collection of 20 'X' marks arranged in a rectangular grid. The marks are arranged in 4 rows and 5 columns, with the bottom-right mark circled.

Townsend, L. F.

townsend, K. A. P S/Sgt. Kostoulekas, C. JT
Lt. ~~Jasper~~ H. N.
Lt. Atkins, R. F. CP Sgt. Fischer, F. BT
Sgt.
Lt. Seely, E. W. N Kiriako, T. T. RW
Lt. Savino, J. B Sgt. Legg, J. E. LW
S/Sgt. Gronkowski, F. J. RAD Sgt. Durrenberger, J. JIC

CASUALTIES - Designate on above list by following symbols: Killed - (K)
 Seriously Wounded - (SW); Wounded - (W); Missing - (O)

Illness or disability (Name)

Failure of Protective Eqpt. (Name)

TARGET BOMBED
(name)

No. & Size

Bomb Type

Results observed:

On target

10 X 500

L. P.

Yours:

Jettisoned

Br't back

Un'Act For

Others:

If target not
bombed - why?

If returned early
point of turning,
reason, time, altitude

ENEMY FIGHTER OPPOSITION

(Separate Encounter for Each Combat)

~~7A~~-50
(No. E/M Seen)

5N2109-FW190 Me 410
(Numbers and Types)

Special markings and colors:
(Not previously reported)

Description of attack:
(Place-time-altitude)
(Duration - Intensity)

Enemy tactics and our
countermeasures:

③. 1246-7FW 1905.
Air to Air bombing-
any unusual weapons

(Numbers and type)
 colors: Me 109 red nose - yellow
 attacked J group head on.
 Went for low group - under me
 1215 - 15 minutes before target.
 packed formation. Did not
 1233 - after target - 22 - (12 F)
 - 410) Did not press and after
 did not attack some stragg
 took

FRIENDLY AIRCRAFT LOST OR IN DISTRESS

(Group and A/C No. - Condition -
where down - chutes - any unusual
occurrences of interest - your altitude)

1. 1155 - B-17 - no chutes
2. 1233 - B-17 blew up -
after target.
3. 4 chutes, B-17 - 1304 - (4840 - 0820).

OBSERVATIONS OF CREW

1515 - headed towards French coast.
5030 - 0110

H. townsend - Wants Landing instructions
Formations were too scattered.

CREW SUGGESTIONS

Large pieces of metal appearing to be
belly tanks were dropped in front of
target. Large were frequent in escort formation.

FIGHTER SUPPORT

Poor fighter support at & after
target. Good on way in.

INTERROGATOR'S OBSERVATIONS

THIS SHIP (WAS) (WAS NOT) SERIOUSLY / SLIGHTLY DAMAGED BY (AA). (E/A).

NO. E/A PROBABLY DESTROYED _____

NO. E/A DAMAGED. _____

INTERROGATOR'S NAME

L. W. Sheets

FRIENDLY AIRCRAFT LOST OR IN DISTRESS

(Group and A/C No. - Condition -
where down - chutes - any unusual
occurrences of interest - your altitude)

B17. 1040. 4845N. 0440E DR

Went down with #3 engine
smoking - after fighter attack -
In formation ahead + to right
of our formation - no chutes

B17 1305 - 4 miles south of Strasburg 4825 - 0745 - hit by flack
+ E/A - went down hit ground & blew up - 6 chutes -

1200 near I.P. saw W4 40 hit a B17 with rocket - blew

OBSERVATIONS OF CREW
the wing off + B17 went down - no chutes.

Very cloudy could not make out
objects on ground -

CREWS SUGGESTIONSFIGHTER SUPPORT

Excellent - see way around.

INTERROGATOR'S OBSERVATIONS

THIS SHIP (~~WAS~~) (WAS NOT) SERIOUSLY / SLIGHTLY DAMAGED BY (RA) (E/A).

NO. E/A PROBABLY DESTROYED _____

NO. E/A DAMAGED. _____

INTERROGATORS NAME

Shaw

Crew # 36

THOMAS

INTERROGATION FORM

GROUP 100 SQD 418 A/C NO. 913 LTR. BOMB LOAD 10x500 DATE 16/3/44

Position in formation (at target)	Rank	Name	Rank	Name
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		Lt. J. J. Raring	CP	S/Sgt. J. D. Smolt
		Lt. H. J. Brice	N	S/Sgt. S. J. Luistro
		Lt. J. M. Henry	B	S/Sgt. E. A. Vollmer
		T/Sgt. C. A. Leavitt	RAD	S/Sgt. D. S. McGill

CASUALTIES - Designate on above list by following symbols: Killed - (K)
 Seriously Wounded - (SW); Wounded - (W); Missing - (O)

Illness or disability (Name) NONE

Failure of Protective Eqp. (Name)

TARGET BOMBED
 (name)

No. & Size

Bomb Type

Results observed

*BOMBED
SECONDARY*

On target

10X500CP

TIME 12.20
 FIRE HUGSBURG
 Yours: Alt. 20,000
 H. 230°

Jettisoned

Br't back

Un'Act For

BOMBED ON P.F.F.
 Others: 10/10 Clouds.
 OVER TARGET

If target not
 bombed - why?

If returned early
 point of turning,
 reason, time, altitude

ENEMY FIGHTER OPPOSITION

(Separate Encounter for Each Combat)

75 S/E/T/E
 (No. E/S Seen)

ME110; ME410 - 1022
 (Numbers and Types)

Special markings and colors:
 (Not previously reported)

Description of attack:
 (Place-time-altitude)
 (Duration - Intensity)

Enemy tactics and our
 countermeasures:

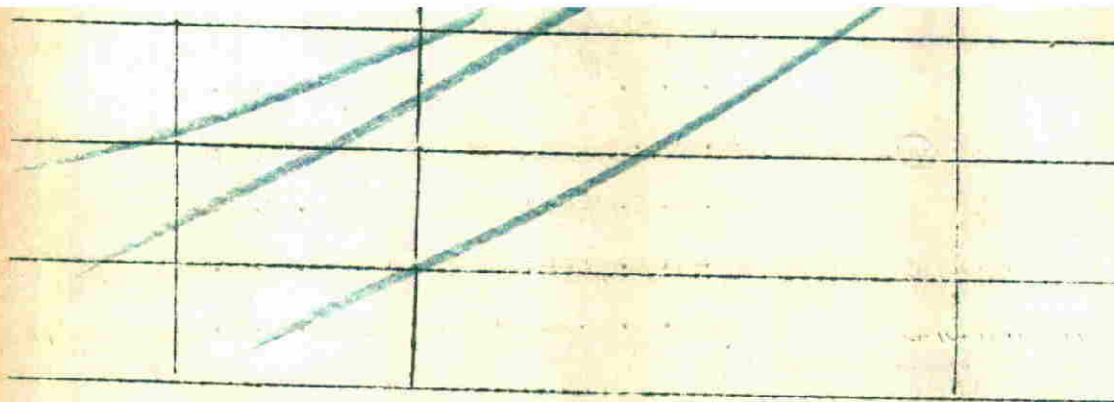
Rockets were used

Air to Air bombing-
 any unusual weapons

8/2 17/7/15/13

*1150 - (4900-1042E) 3 or 4 enemies in
 group. Also opposition to other groups
 1040 (4842-0425E) 30 E/H attacked enemy
 on the right. a ~~small~~ ~~enemy~~*

*Attached from 1200 vehicles
 landed 2000
 One down one shot down by forward
 into B17 down. One smoking and
 other on fire. No shots.*

FRIENDLY AIRCRAFT LOST OR IN DISTRESS

(Group and A/C No. - Condition -
where down - chutes - any unusual
occurrences of interest - your altitude)

• 1300 - (4412 - 08425) 5 chutes from B17 - 5 men later
chutes went down 15000 ft.

OBSERVATIONS OF CREW

B.T. Burns saw a S/E fighter which had two vertical stabilizers
it came out of the clouds and went below us and then clouds
again.

RE

CREWS SUGGESTIONSFIGHTER SUPPORT

Good and on time.

INTERROGATOR'S OBSERVATIONS

THIS SHIP (WAS) - (WAS NOT) SERIOUSLY / SLIGHTLY DAMAGED BY (AA) (E/A).

NO. E/A PROBABLY DESTROYED 4

NO. E/A DAMAGED, 1

INTERROGATORS NAME

Burns

Crew 41

INTERROGATION FORM

GROUP 100 SQD 349 A/C NO. 607 LTR. BOB LOAD 10x500 DATE 16-3-44

Position in formation (at target)	Rank	Name	Rank	Name
X	Lt. Stout, J. R.	PT/Sgt. Clegg, L. M.	TT	
X	Lt. Lunsford, R. C.	CPS/Sgt. Greene, W. B.	BT	
X	Lt. Nelson, R. R.	N S/Sgt. Calkin, P. E.	RW	
X	Lt. Polak, G. G.	B S/Sgt. McDermott, B. J.	LW	
X	T/Sgt. Dougherty, J. S.	RAIB/Sgt. Lynch, U. W.	TC	

CASUALTIES - Designate on above list by following symbols: Killed - (K)
 Seriously Wounded - (SW); Wounded - (W); Missing - (O)

Illness or disability (Name) _____

Failure of Protective Eqpt. (Name) _____

TARGET BOMBED
 (name)

No. & Size

Bomb Type

Results observed

On target

10 x 500

Yours:

Jettisoned

Brt back

Others:

Un'Act For

If target not
 bombed - why?

If returned early
 point of turning,
 reason, time, altitude

ENEMY FIGHTER OPPOSITION

(Separate Encounter for Each Combat)

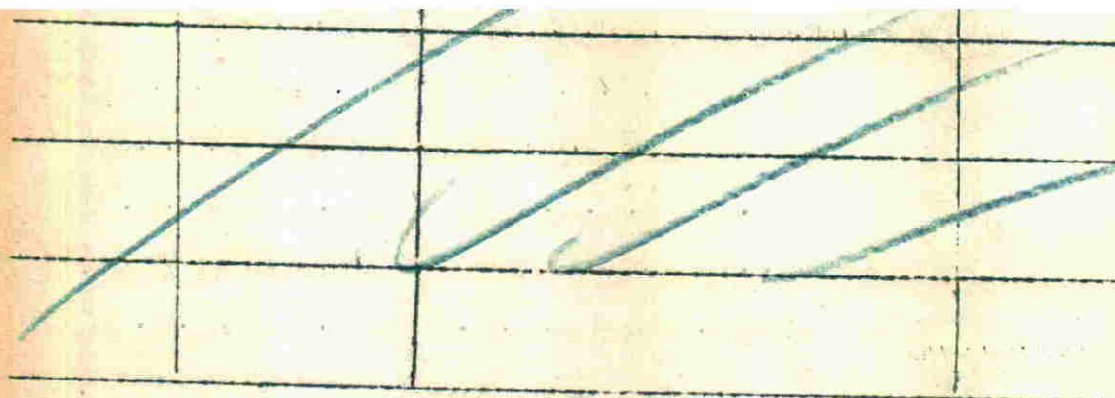
45 - JU 88 in one place (after IP toward tgt)
 (No. E/S Seen) (Numbers and Types)

Special markings and colors: 109's gray with yellow lettering.
 (Not previously reported)

Description of attack: - 5 ME109 - 1 purest St
 (Place-time-altitude) 235 Low 2nd ok - or alt
 (Duration - Intensity) 15:00 - 30640 miles W of tgt. - No damage.

Enemy tactics and our
 countermeasures:

Rockets fired from JU 88's + ME109's in a "Sheep Attack"
 between IP and tgt. Fired from about 1500 yds. Did not hit
 any ships. JU 88 carried 4, ME109's carried 2.
 Air to Air bombing -
 any unusual weapons



FRIENDLY AIRCRAFT LOST OR IN DISTRESS
 (Group and A/C No. - Condition -
 where down - chutes - any unusual
 occurrences of interest - your altitude)

OBSERVATIONS OF CREW

Rockets were being fired from ground at the
 Tgt. Level altitude. A long stream of smoke did
 the a Burst. Came up one at a time - 6 seen.

CREW'S SUGGESTIONS

FIGHTER SUPPORT

Good

INTERROGATOR'S OBSERVATIONS

THIS SHIP (WAS) (WAS NOT) SERIOUSLY / SLIGHTLY DAMAGED BY (AA) (E/A).

NO. E/A PROBABLY DESTROYED 1

NO. E/A DAMAGED. 1

AS NAME W. J. ...

COWAN

Marie

				Holditch, M. W?	
	X			Lt. Cowan, C. H.	P T/Sgt. Holditch
	X	X			
		X		Lt. Di bbern, H. A.	CPS/Sgt. Geigle, W. A.
	X	X			
X	X		X	Lt. Robertson, F. W.	N S/Sgt. Patrick, R.-
	X		X		
X	X		X	Lt. Heyneman, H. L.	B S/Sgt. Stoppel, A. C.
		X	X		
	X		X	T/Sgt. Meyers, S. W.	RAIS/Sgt. Kemble, H. R.

Failure of Protective Eqp. (Name)

Results observed

Bombs away at
Yours: 1223-74, m may
9250
Others: P77.

Un'Act. For

If returned early
point of turning,
reason, time, altitude

(Separate Encounter for Each Combat

(No. E/S Seen)

(Numbers and Types)

(Numbers and Types)

ME 109's - fighters support at
same time - came in high ab

our countermeasures:

at 1150 pulled up me 110's - came up from
right and peeled into tail - in formation -
up to Air bombing -
any manual weapons

FRIENDLY AIRCRAFT LOST OR IN DISTRESS

(Group and A/C No. - Condition -

where down - chutes - any unusual

occurrences of interest - your altitude)

1-B-17 at 1035 hit by fighter - engine hit left
 formation - jump at one o'clock - in cluster - turned
 and headed back to UK -

OBSERVATIONS OF CREW

at 1305- B-17 [4820-0800] from wing ahead
 4 chutes seen in a/c - fighter hit -
 spinning straight down in slight turn - no fire
 or smoke seen -

CREW'S SUGGESTIONS

at 1200 B-17 "g" group [4855-1055] hit by
 Rockets & 210's - flaming badly -
 peeled off into dive - into haze -

FIGHTER SUPPORT

good in - not enough back
 instant fighter pilots to get them tanks not over
 on formation (Biloh + C-pilot)

INTERROGATOR'S OBSERVATIONS

THIS SHIP (WAS) (WAS NOT) SERIOUSLY / SLIGHTLY DAMAGED BY (AA) (E/A).

NO. E/A PROBABLY DESTROYED _____

NO. E/A DAMAGED. _____

AS NAME

P-51 hit + destroyed on 11/10 at 1155

PFF

INTERROGATION FORM

GROUP Alconbury SQD _____ A/C NO. 487 LTR. _____ BOMB LOAD 4x500 GP 2x100 Smoke 1x100 Chem. DATE 16/3/44

Position in formation (at target)	Rank	Name	Rank	Name
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			CP	BT
		Capt. L. P. Bull	N	RW
		Capt. A. D. Dahlgren	B	LW
			RAD	Lt. H. A. Alf
				TG

CASUALTIES - Designate on above list by following symbols: Killed - (K)
Seriously Wounded - (SW); Wounded - (W); Missing - (O)

Illness or disability (Name) None

Failure of Protective Eqpt. (Name) _____

TARGET BOMBED

(name)	No. & Size	Bomb Type	Results observed
On target	<u>4x500</u> <u>2x100</u> <u>1x100</u>	<u>GP</u> <u>Smoke</u> <u>Chem.</u>	Yours:
Jettisoned			
Br't back			Others:
Un'Act For			

If target not bombed - why?

If returned early
point of turning,
reason, time, altitude

ENEMY FIGHTER OPPOSITION

(Separate Encounter for Each Combat)

30 ME 110 - dark brown & grey
50 ME 109 - slate & brownish color
1 Ju 88 - slate

(No. E/S Seen)
Special markings and colors:
(Not previously reported)

(Numbers and Types)

Description of attack:
(Place-time-altitude)
(Duration - Intensity)

4 ME 109's rolled thru formation
at 1230 at 4825 N 1020 E, all
abrest - looked like they chopped their
throttles to have more time to shoot.

Enemy tactics and our
countermeasures:

Air to Air bombing-
any unusual weapons

FRIENDLY AIRCRAFT LOST OR IN DISTRESS

(Group and A/C No. - Condition -

where down - chutes - any unusual

occurrences of interest - your altitude)

One B17 on fire 1037 (4850-0420) Window control went down and headed back away ahead. 20000 alt

1152 B17 going down in flames (4838-0938) came from 45th CBW. 20000 alt

One B17 1303 (4822-0812) Four chutes were seen coming out and then it hit the ground and exploded. 10 or 12 alt low. Went to 20000 alt

OBSERVATIONS OF CREW~~Redacted~~

ME 110 even lobbing rockets into us.

Marggy saw what looked to be an army camp - quite a few buildings

CREW'S SUGGESTIONS

Try to get P-51 to watch where they drop belly tanks far from if hitting other ships - Capt Ballgren

When 10-hour mission all new food should be placed in A/C

FIGHTER SUPPORT

Good.

INTERROGATOR'S OBSERVATIONS

THIS SHIP ~~(WAS)~~ (WAS NOT) SERIOUSLY / SLIGHTLY DAMAGED BY (AA) (E/A).

NO. E/A PROBABLY DESTROYED 0

NO. E/A DAMAGED. 0

INTERROGATOR'S NAME _____

INTERROGATION FORM

GROUP 100 SQD 350 A/C NO. 830 LTR. BOMB LOAD 10x500 DATE 16/3/44

Position in formation
(at target)

Rank

Name _____

Rank

Name _____

A diagram of a target with 'X' marks. The marks are arranged in a pattern that roughly forms the shape of the letter 'K'. One 'X' mark in the lower-left quadrant is circled.

<u>Lt. E. N. McKay</u>	P	<u>T/Sgt. E. O. Douglas</u>	TI
<u>Lt. T. H. Mullen</u>	CP	<u>S/Sgt. C. F. Schuster</u>	BT
<u>Lt. J. A. Young</u>	N	<u>S/Sgt. J. E. Trent</u>	RW
<u>Lt. S. W. McFeely</u>	B	<u>S/Sgt. J. W. Domanig</u>	LW
<u>T/Sgt. L. P. Faltriner</u>	RAD	<u>S/Sgt. E. T. Graham</u>	TC

CASUALTIES - Designate on above list by following symbols: Killed - (K)
 Seriously Wounded - (SW); Wounded - (W); Missing - (O)

Illness or disability (Name)

Failure of Protective Eqp. (Name)

TARGET BOLTED

(12) 716

No. & Size

Bomb Type

Results observed

On target 11 x 500

Jettisoned

Br't back

Un'Act For

Yours:

Others

If target not
bombed - why?

If returned early
point of turning,
reason, time, altitude

ENEMY FIGHTER OPPOSITION

(Separate Encounter for Each Combat)

(No. 11 Seen)

(Numbers and Types)

Special markings and colors:
(Not previously reported)

Description of attack:
(Place-time-altitude)
(Duration - Intensity)

Enemy tactics and our countermeasures:

Air to Air bombing-
any unusual weapons

FRIENDLY AIRCRAFT LOST OR IN DISTRESS

(Group and A/C No. - Condition -
where down - chutes - any unusual
occurrences of interest - your altitude)

at 1152 - ① B-17 hit by
ME 110 - shaking, rocks
caught fire - went steep dive - blew up
no chutes - about (4838-0930)

OBSERVATIONS OF CREW

at 1034 saw ② B-17 hit by
fighters - believe in wings to right -
our heading 85° (Chaplain) saw
struck on fire - the other seemed out

CREW'S SUGGESTIONS

of control & fallowed down by E/A.
no chutes seen.

FIGHTER SUPPORT

at 1303 - (4826-0802) ① B-17
in trouble spiraling down - saw
5 chutes.

INTERROGATOR'S OBSERVATIONS

Magnificent support.

THIS SHIP (WAS) (WAS NOT) SERIOUSLY / SLIGHTLY DAMAGED BY (AA) (E/A).

NO. E/A PROBABLY DESTROYED _____

NO. E/A DAMAGED, _____

S NAME see

Saw 2 German fighters FW 109 at 1152
that our fighters went for & were drawn
away when the 30 ME 110 came in.

Crew 74

INTERROGATION FORM

GROUP 100 SQD 418 A/C NO. 895 LTR. BOMB LOAD 10x500 DATE 16/3/44

Position in formation
(at target)

Rank

Name _____

Rank

Name _____

Lt. M. G. Gunnersall F T/Sgt. J. R. Gensel TT

Lt. R. C. Halliday CP S/Sgt. M. H. Boguminski ST

Lt. F. W. Roberts N S/Sgt. J. T. Parney ~~NY~~

Lt. E. P. Carr B S/Sgt. J. J. Daly LW

T/Sgt. H. W. Bieze RAD S/Sgt. R. L. Braswell TG

CASUALTIES - Designate on above list by following symbols: Killed - (K)
 Seriously Wounded - (SW); Wounded - (W); Missing - (O)

Illness or disability (Name)

Failure of Protective Eqp. (Name) _____

TARGET BOMBED

(name)

No. & Size

Bomb Type

Results observed

On target 10x500 G.P.

Jettisoned

Br't back

Un'Act For

Yours: P.P.H. 1222
 19.900°
 240° mag.
 Others: 10/10 cloud
 cover

If target not
bombed - why?

If returned early
point of turning,
reason, time, altitude

ENEMY FIGHTER OPPOSITION

(Separate Encounter for Each Combat)

79 st.

6 ME 109
8 ME 110

3'0 14'E 210
10 44 88

25 Feb 190

(No. E/S Seen)

(Numbers and Types)

Special markings and colors:
(Not previously reported)

Description of attack:
(Place-time-altitude
(Duration - Intensity

2 F A/c very high seen from
Shoshone & ②0923 hrs. left
con bank ~~off~~ as they reached
the enemy territory.

Enemy tactics and our countermeasures:

See claims this #1c

Air to Air bombing-
any unusual weapons

FRIENDLY AIRCRAFT LOST OR IN DISTRESS

(Group and A/C No. - Condition -

where down - chutes - any unusual

occurrences of interest - your altitude)

1250 hrs, 48-22N
0920E, 15,000' 258°Mag.
B-17 below being attacked
by 5 FW190; B-17 dived, wheels, circles, flew
under 100th gh. formation. no fighter escort.
E A/C continued circling B-17. most of B-17 not
determined.
OBSERVATIONS OF CREW

CREW'S SUGGESTIONS

want rage for cleaning guns. Lt. Roberts
1300 hrs. 48-55N, 1055E, P-51 seen to shoot down
Twin eng E A/C. P-51 was @ 04 o'clock & 4500' below
this group. Pilot baled out.

FIGHTER SUPPORT

very good report none seen between RP & 08°E
on withdrawal. no attacks this gh. during this
period. The B-17 listed above as in distress was
attached at this time.

INTERROGATOR'S OBSERVATIONS

THIS SHIP ~~(WAS)~~ (WAS NOT) SERIOUSLY / SLIGHTLY DAMAGED BY ~~(A/C)~~ (F/A).

NO. F/A PROBABLY DESTROYED _____

NO. F/A DAMAGED. _____

E. L. Johnson
INTERROGATOR'S NAME _____

**IMMEDIATE
PRIORITY**

"HOT NEWS" REPORT

**ENEMY
SHIPPING**

ENEMY SHIPPING, NAVAL UNITS OR CONVOYS AT SEA

OTHER INFORMATION

Number seen - 3 Merchant Ships

Types of Ships - Merchant Ships

Course - 210° - 5005N-0120E

Time seen - 1520

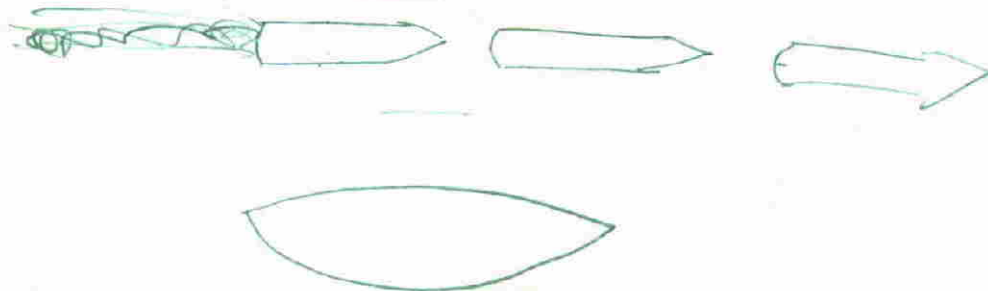
Observing A/C # 957 Group # 100 Height 14000 Interrogator Stewart

Date _____ Time Rec'd 1700 Phoned Wing 1705 Hrs Who Phoned Kidd

S-2 24/7-30-43

- 1- Has Message sent in by RT or RT? _____
- 2- Has Message acknowledged? _____
- 3- If not sent by RT or RT, Give Reason: _____

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A/C RETURNING EARLY

A/C Number 936 A/C Letter _____
 Squadron 351 Pilot WILLIAMS
 Time landed at base 1030
 Point or coordinates of point at which A/C turned back:
5045N - 0047W
 Time turned back 0935
 Altitude at time turned back 17000
 Reason for abortion NO VACANCY
 Disposition of bombs BROUGHT BACK
 Brought back or jettisoned
 Name of Interrogating Officer J. Bauman

A/C RETURNING EARLY

A/C Number 767 A/C Letter _____
 Squadron 351 Pilot Shore
 Time landed at base 1027
 Point or coordinates of point at which A/C turned back:
5045N - 0047W
 Time turned back 0935
 Altitude at time turned back 17000
 Reason for abortion NO VACANCY
 Disposition of bombs BROUGHT BACK
 Brought back or jettisoned
 Name of Interrogating Officer J. Bauman

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A/C RETURNING EARLY

A/C Number 256 A/C Letter _____
Squadron 351 Pilot RAKE
Time landed at base 1032
Point or coordinates of point at which A/C turned back:
5045N-0047W
Time turned back 0935
Altitude at time turned back 17000
Reason for abortion NO VACANCY
Disposition of bombs BROUGHT BACK
Brought back or jettisoned
Name of Interrogating Officer Bauman

A/C RETURNING EARLY

A/C Number _____ A/C Letter _____
Squadron _____ Pilot _____
Time landed at base _____
Point or coordinates of point at which A/C turned back:

Time turned back _____
Altitude at time turned back _____
Reason for abortion _____
Disposition of bombs _____
Brought back or jettisoned
Name of Interrogating Officer _____

S-2 11/7-3-43

FORMATION POSITION

LEAD SQDN

PFF
Col Harding-Capt Bull

Harper 504

Ferbrache 090

Gunn 11895

Kincannon 175

Thomas 913

LOW SQDN

HIGH SQDN

Cope 968

Mason 723

Harper 553

Mallooly 074

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Noordyk 609

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Moore 534

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TRAIL SQDN

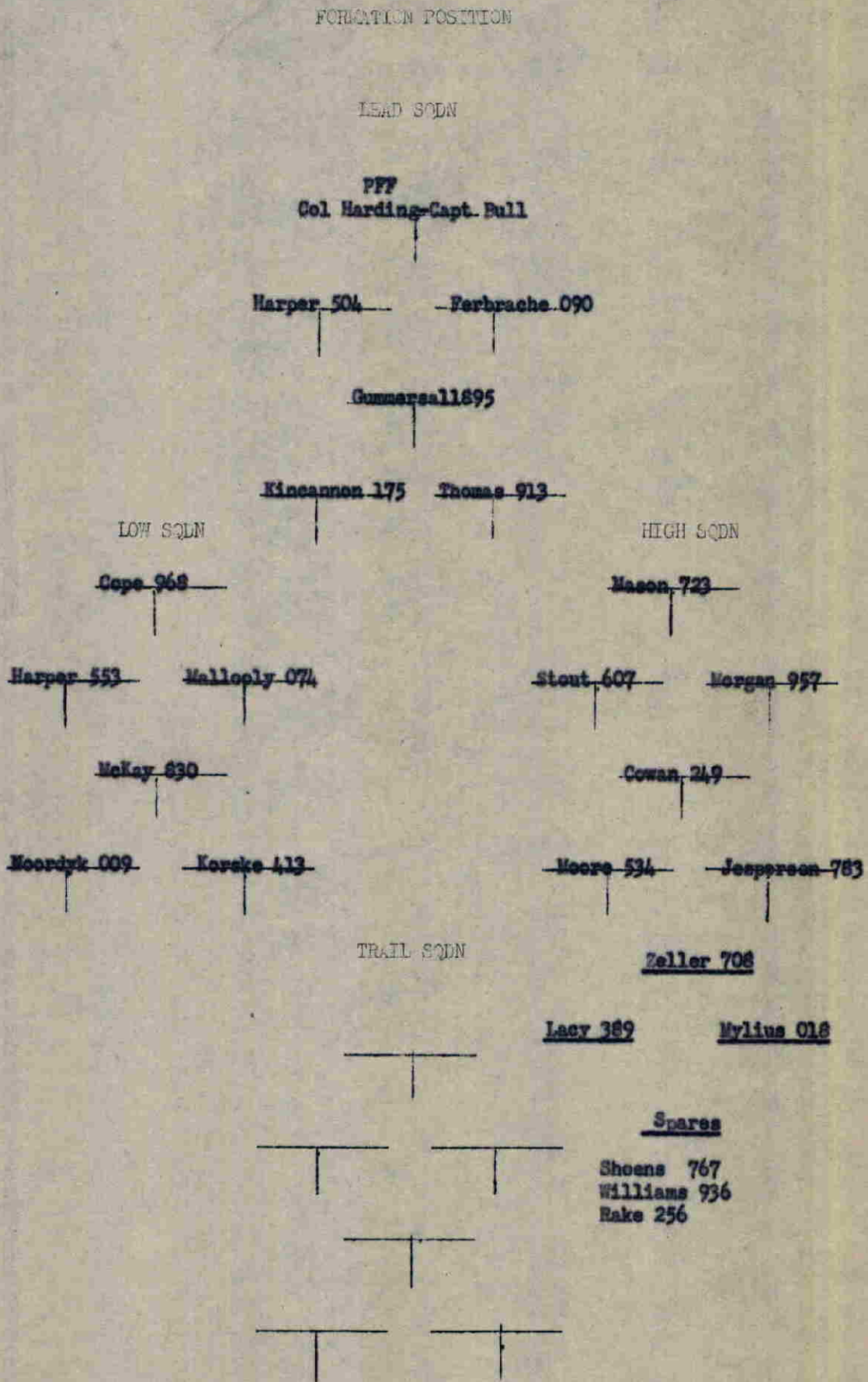
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Lacy 389

Wyllius 018

Squares

Shoens 767
Williams 936
Rake 256



FF
PF

	E	R	B.T.	RW	L.W.	T	
1	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
6	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
7	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
12	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
16	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
17	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	
18	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
20	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
21	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	88
22	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
31	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
32	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
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74	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
76	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	

16/3/44

FORMATION POSITION

LEAD SQDN

PFF
Col Harding Capt Bull

Harper 504 Ferbrache 090

Gummersall 895

Kincannon 175 Thomas 913

LOW SQDN

HIGH SQDN

Cope 968

Mason 723

Harper 553 Mallooly 074

Stout 607 Morgan 957

McKay 830

Cowan 249

Noordyk 009 Korske 413

Moore 534 Jespersen 783

TRAIL SQDN

Zeller 708

Lacy 389 Mylius 018

Spares

Shoens 767
Williams 936
Rake 256

349TH BOMBARDMENT SQUADRON (H), ARMY AIR FORCES
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15 March 1944

ALERT LIST FOR 16 MARCH 1944:

Crew #1 Ship #726

P - 1st Lt. Mason, P. H.
CP- 2nd Lt. Shaddix, W. C.
N - 2nd Lt. Dishion, W. J.
B - 1st Lt. Frego, A.
R - T/Sgt. Gutsch, D. D.
E - T/Sgt. Ellsworth, R. G.
BT- S/Sgt. Westlake, G.
RW- S/Sgt. Lovee, C. S.
LW- S/Sgt. Dubanks, J. E.
TG- S/Sgt. Tarr, F. E.

Crew #42 Ship #957

P - 1st Lt. Morgan, L. R.
CP- 2nd Lt. Ward, R. O.
N - 2nd Lt. McCormick, W. H.
B - S/Sgt. Laface, S. J.
R - T/Sgt. Vardusco, T. L.
E - T/Sgt. Lobb, M. I.
BT- S/Sgt. Lyon, D. C.
RW- S/Sgt. Klockner, H. C.
LW- S/Sgt. Lash, K. R.
TG- S/Sgt. Gomez, E. R.

Crew #41 Ship #807

P - 1st Lt. Stout, J. R.
CP- 2nd Lt. Lunsford, R. C.
N - 2nd Lt. Nelson, R. R.
B - 2nd Lt. Polak, C. G.
R - T/Sgt. Dougherty, J. B.
E - T/Sgt. Clegg, L. H.
BT- S/Sgt. Greene, D. B.
RW- S/Sgt. Galkin, P. E.
LW- S/Sgt. McDermott, B. J.
TG- S/Sgt. Lynch, C. W.

Crew #15 Ship #249

P - 1st Lt. Cowan, C. H.
CP- 2nd Lt. Dibbern, R. A.
N - 2nd Lt. Robertson, E. W.
B - 2nd Lt. Heyneman, H. L.
R - T/Sgt. Meyers, S. W.
E - T/Sgt. Holditch, W. W.
BT- S/Sgt. Geigle, W. A.
RW- S/Sgt. Patrick, R.
LW- S/Sgt. Stoppel, A. C.
TG- S/Sgt. Kemble, H. R.

Crew #6 Ship #783

P - 1st Lt. Jaaperson, H. H.
CP- 2nd Lt. Atkins, R. F.
N - 2nd Lt. Seely, B. W.
B - 2nd Lt. Savino, J.
R - S/Sgt. Gronkowski, F. J.
E - S/Sgt. Kostaulakos, G. J.
BT- Sgt. Fincher, P.
RW- Sgt. Kiranko, T. T.
LW- Sgt. Legg, J. B.
TG- Sgt. Darrenberger, J. J.

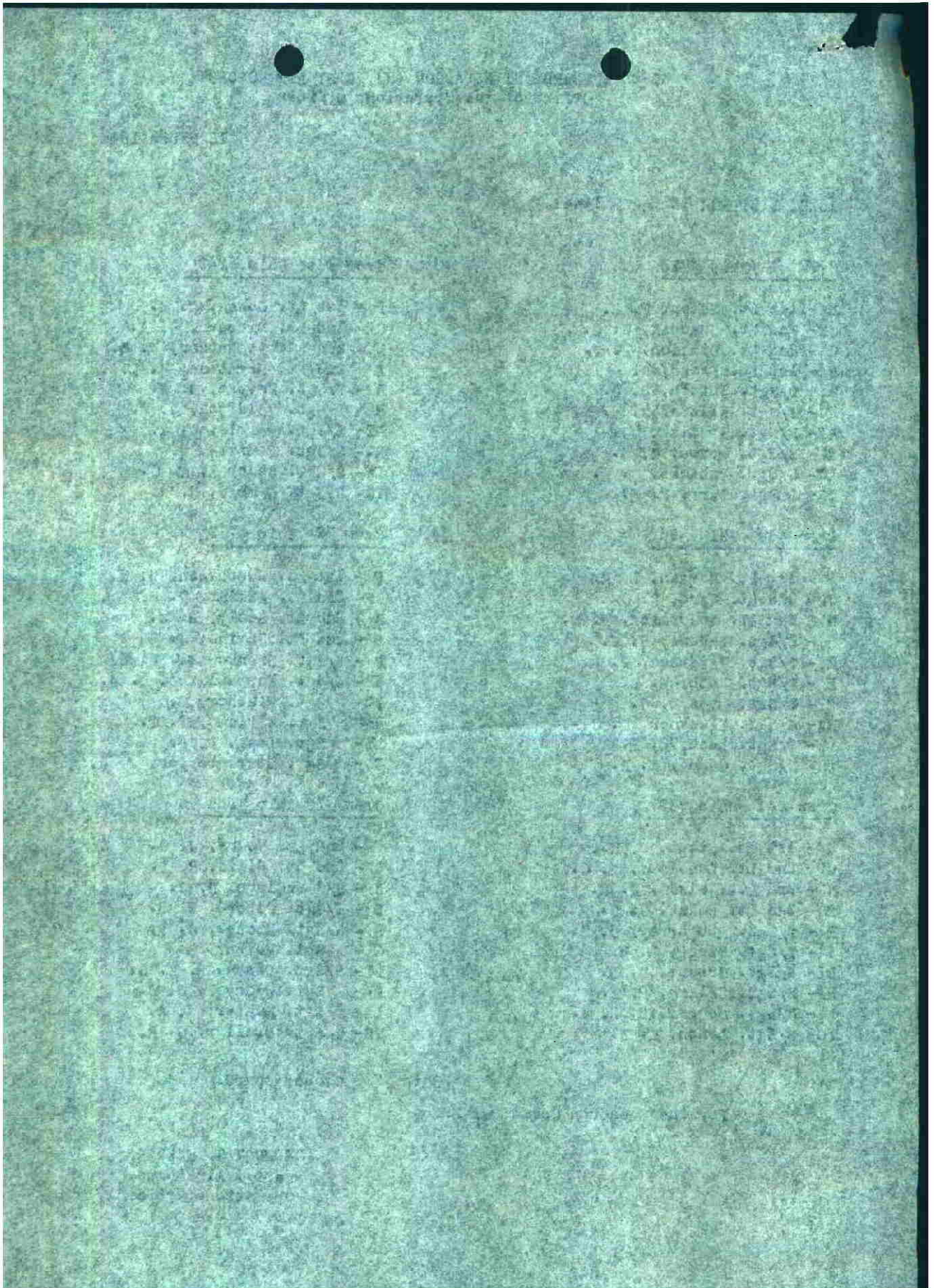
Crew #7 Ship #534

P - 2nd Lt. Moore, J. C.
CP- 2nd Lt. Blais, R. L.
N - T/O McClure, H. O.
B - S/Sgt. Peters, R. B.
R - S/Sgt. Kidner, J. P.
E - Sgt. Helber, B.
BT- S/Sgt. Dishman, W. G.
RW- Sgt. Jedryek, J. J.
LW- Sgt. Hunter, J. R.
TG- T/Sgt. Mueller, G. R.

Ship #710 Ground spare.

For the Squadron Commander,

SUMNER E. REEDER,
Capt., Air Corps,
Operations Officer.



350TH BOMBARDMENT SQUADRON (H), AAF
 100TH BOMBARDMENT GROUP (H)
 AAF Station # 139

16 March 1944

ROSTER OF COMBAT CREWS ON OPERATIONAL MISSION 16 MARCH 1944

CREW 12 PLANE 31074

P - Lt F J Maltby
 CP - Lt R W Ballie
 W - Lt C H Mauvais
 B - Lt R W Guida
 R - Sgt R C Barrie
 S - S/Sgt A J Perry
 BT - S/Sgt W A Pardee
 RW - S/Sgt W H Miller
 LW - S/Sgt L W Yeager
 TG - S/Sgt L Genovese

CREW 17 PLANE 32009

P - Lt E P Noordyk
 CP - Lt J R Greighton
 W - Lt E Aita
 B - Lt D M Bailey
 R - S/Sgt H L Brown
 S - S/Sgt R W Byers
 BT - Sgt G L Langdon
 RW - Sgt J E Himpel
 LW - Sgt J A Meade
 TG - Sgt F R Gardner

CREW 51 PLANE 3413

P - Lt R R Kroske
 CP - Lt W T Pitaroy
 W - Lt J E Longenecker
 B - Lt J A Carty
 R - T/Sgt E E Postal
 S - T/Sgt J J Good
 BT - S/Sgt G A Benedict
 RW - Sgt G Winkler
 LW - S/Sgt A B Roberts
 TG - S/Sgt P K Troetschel

CREW 16 PLANE 31537

Lt C B Harper
 Lt R S Flannigan
 Lt C T Hardiman
 Lt A E Cox
 T/Sgt A E James
 T/Sgt C P Luquet
 S/Sgt A P Curlee
 S/Sgt W A Dobbs
 S/Sgt J B Bowers
 S/Sgt A R Frank

CREW 18 PLANE 31963

Lt M Cope
 Lt T Cryan
 Lt F E Bryant
 Lt L D Torbett
 T/Sgt J C Kling
 T/Sgt J Verbovski
 S/Sgt R E Donnelly
 S/Sgt J A Richard
 S/Sgt J E Morrison
 S/Sgt L E Neveu

CREW 57 PLANE 39830

Lt E N McKay
 Lt T H Mullen
 Lt J A Young
 Lt S W McFeely
 T/Sgt L P Paltrineri
 T/Sgt F O Douglas
 S/Sgt C F Schuster
 S/Sgt J E Trout
 S/Sgt J W Domenig
 S/Sgt R T Graham

Plane # 31981 -- Ground Spare

MAGNE C. FULLER,
 Captain, Air Corps,
 Operations Officer.

351st BOMBARDMENT SQUADRON (H) ARMY AIR FORCES
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16 March 1944.

LOADING LIST FOR OPERATIONAL MISSION OF 16 MARCH 1944.

Crew No. 20 - Plane No. 708
P - Capt. J. L. Zeller
CP - 2nd Lt. W. L. Bowen
N - 2nd Lt. G. E. Bonitz
B - P/O D. L. White
R - S/Sgt. M. J. Hendricks
E - S/Sgt. D. A. Lynch
BT - Sgt. M. Friedman
RW - Cpl. C. L. Grimes
LW - Sgt. W. H. Frederick
TG - Sgt. W. V. Lombardi

Crew No. 64 - Plane No. 389
P - 1st Lt. L. G. Lacy
CP - 2nd Lt. G. E. Schindler
N - 2nd Lt. A. Franklin
B - 2nd Lt. H. Greenberg (68)
R - T/Sgt. C. H. Wood, Jr.
E - T/Sgt. C. J. Clarkard
BT - S/Sgt. L. Black, Jr.
RW - S/Sgt. J. S. Polson
LW - S/Sgt. R. J. Mitchell
TG - S/Sgt. R. D. Abney (25)

Crew No. 21 - Plane No. 266
P - 2nd Lt. G. W. Rake
CP - 2nd Lt. D. H. Drysdale
N - 2nd Lt. R. L. Mishler
B - 2nd Lt. Francis L. Cate
R - S/Sgt. L. A. Miller
E - S/Sgt. E. C. Rogers
BT - Sgt. L. Tokel
RW - Sgt. R. J. Bourquin
LW - Sgt. E. E. Evans
TG - Sgt. D. M. Pfau

Crew No. 67 - Plane No. 018
2nd Lt. C. W. Mylius, Jr.
2nd Lt. W. G. McCoy
2nd Lt. C. J. Galligan
2nd Lt. N. T. High
S/Sgt. V. J. Wood
S/Sgt. J. R. Russell
Sgt. C. E. Brown
Sgt. C. E. McSpadden
Sgt. E. J. Sullivan
S/Sgt. H. D. Fern

Crew No. 69 - Plane No. 767
1st Lt. R. J. Shoens
2nd Lt. D. R. Shand
2nd Lt. G. T. Lewis (19)
2nd Lt. G. Hudson
T/Sgt. D. H. Hammond
T/Sgt. W. Eresman
Sgt. H. Buchanan (19)
S/Sgt. V. H. Warders
S/Sgt. W. W. Wright
S/Sgt. D. L. Blair

Crew No. 22 - Plane No. 936
1st Lt. H. H. Williams (24)
2nd Lt. S. D. Eichen
2nd Lt. J. J. Devine
P/O. Ludvik J. Svattik
Sgt. R. J. O'Neil
Sgt. R. H. Tucker
Sgt. F. J. Branagan
S/Sgt. T. P. Buntin (20)
Sgt. J. H. Sauer
Sgt. C. E. Rathbun

Capt. Leonard P. Bull & will fly on Pathfinder with Col. Harding.
Capt. A. D. Dahlgren
WEATHER SHIP
Lt. Melnick and Crew will fly Plane #412 - WEATHER SHIP *.

For the Squadron Commander:

DONALD H. MERTON,
1st Lt., Air Corps,
Asst. Operations Officer.

FOUR HUNDRED AND EIGHTEENTH BOMBARDMENT SQUAD (H) AAF
Office of the Operations Officer

16 March 1944

COMBAT CREWS ON OPERATIONAL MISSION OF MARCH 16, 1944

CREW NO. 31 P #32090

Lt. E. E. Ferbrache	P
Lt. A. D. Slatinsky	CP
Lt. B. Rufsey	N
Lt. D. N. Heggs	B
T/Sgt J. P. Lucarelli	R
T/Sgt H. H. Patterson	E
S/Sgt W. T. Behr	BTG
S/Sgt C. H. Leming	RWG
S/Sgt J. J. Strang	LWG
S/Sgt H. O. Williams	TG

CREW NO. 76 P #31504

Lt. J. C. Harper	P
Lt. T. L. Mulsey	CP
Lt. C. C. Cowing	N
Lt. W. A. Naegels	B
T/Sgt R. E. Hudson	R
T/Sgt W. S. Carter	E
S/Sgt J. S. Kyre	BTG
S/Sgt P. A. Padstawski	RWG
S/Sgt K. C. Helming	LWG
S Sgt J. L. Mauk	TG

CREW NO. 74 P #31895

Lt. M. G. Gundersall	P
Lt. R. C. Halliday	CP
Lt. F. W. Roberts	N
Lt. E. P. Carr	B
T/Sgt H. W. Biene	R
T/Sgt J. R. Gansel	E
S/Sgt M. H. Boguminski	BTG
S/Sgt J. T. Penney	RWG
S/Sgt J. J. Daly	LWG
S/Sgt R. L. Braswell	TG

CREW NO. 36 P #37913

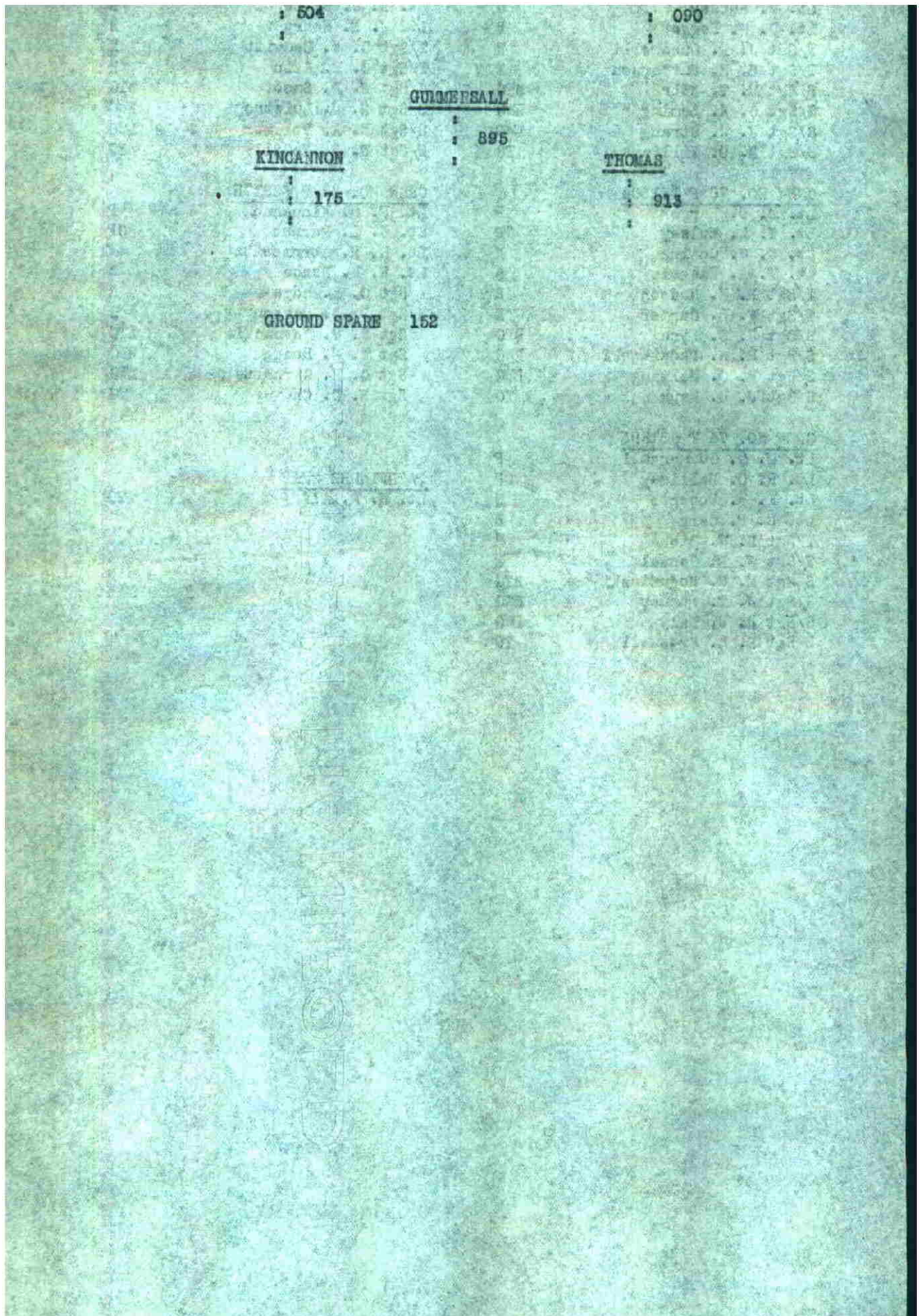
Lt. W. H. Thomas	P
Lt. J. J. Raring	CP
Lt. H. J. Brice	N
Lt. J. M. Henry	B
T/Sgt C. A. Leavitt	E
T/Sgt C. E. Alkin	R
S/Sgt J. D. Smoot	BTG
S/Sgt S. J. Luistro	RWG
S/Sgt E. A. Vollmer	LWG
S/Sgt D. S. McGill	TG

CREW NO. 32 P #38175

Lt. F. C. Kincannon	P
Lt. B. L. Farnum	CP
Lt. L. H. Abramowitz	N
Lt. R. E. Nance	B
Sgt O. L. Edge	R
S/Sgt D. B. Deason	E
Sgt B. M. Tarnecki	BTG
Sgt T. J. Hoagg	RWG
Sgt C. E. Garrette	LWG
Sgt R. D. Chavez	TG

PATHFINDER SHIP

Lt. H. A. Alf	TG
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HEADQUARTERS
100TH BOMBARDMENT GROUP (H)
Office of the Intelligence Officer

D-1-5

AFG 634
16 March 1944

SUBJECT: Sortie Information, Operational Mission No. 130.

TO : S-1, 100th Bomb Group (H), AFG 634.

1. The following pilots and their crews flew Operational Mission No. 130, 16 March, 1944:

PILOT	TARGET BOMBED	COORDINATES TURNED BACK	E/A OBSERVED
FFF *	Yes	Target	Yes
Lt. M. Cope	"	"	"
Lt. C. M. Cowan	"	"	"
Lt. E. E. Ferbrache	"	"	"
Lt. M. G. Gummervall	"	"	"
Lt. J. C. Harper	"	"	"
Lt. C. B. Harper	"	"	"
Lt. L. E. Townsend	"	"	"
Lt. P. C. Kincannon	"	"	"
Lt. R. R. Kroske	"	"	"
Lt. L. G. Lacy	"	"	"
Lt. F. J. Malcoly	"	"	"
Lt. F. H. Mason	"	"	"
Lt. E. N. McKay	"	"	"
Lt. J. C. Moore	"	"	"
Lt. L. R. Morgan	"	"	"
Lt. C. W. Mylius	"	"	"
Lt. E. E. Noordyk	"	"	"
Lt. J. R. Stout	"	"	"
Lt. W. H. Thomas	"	"	"
Capt. J. L. Zeller	"	"	"
Lt. G. W. Rake (Spare)	No	5045N-0047E	No
Lt. R. J. Shoens (Spare)	"	5045N-0047E	"
Lt. E. R. Williams (Spare)	"	5045N-0047E	"

* Col. Harding, Capt. Bull,
Capt. Dahlgren and Lt. Alf.

F. MINER SHAW,
Major, Air Corps,
Intelligence Officer.

OPERATIONAL STATISTICS.....FT Gabilan ST Augsburg LR _____ OF _____ DATE 07/16/34 130
100 GROUP 1222 HRS. 12,950 FT. ALT.
HRS. _____ ALT. _____

PILOT	SQDN	A/C NO.	LOADING	TARGET		OTHER	K	CASUALTIES				BATTLE DAMAGE		JETTISONED	BRT BACK	REMARKS
				PT	OTHER			V	H	R		SERIOUS	SLIGHT			
Pf																
Cope	350	968	10x500		10x500											
Gowan	349	249	"		10x500											
Ferbrache	418	090	"		10x500											
Chumersall	418	895	"		10x500											
Harper	418	504	"		10x500											
Harper	350	537	"		10x500											
Winkler	349	760	"		10x500											
Kincannon	418	175	"		10x500											
Kroske	350	413	"		10x500											
Lacy	351	389	"		10x500											
Malooly	350	074	"		10x500											
Mason	349	723	"		10x500											
McKay	350	830	"		10x500											
Moore	349	534	"		10x500											
Morgan	349	957	"		10x500											
Mylius	351	018	"		10x500											
Moody	350	009	"		10x500											
Stout	349	607	"		10x500											
Thomas	418	913	"		10x500											
Zeller	351	708	"		10x500											
Spears Rake	351	256	"													
Shoens	351	767	"													
Williams	351	936	"													

10x500 TURN BACK 5045-0049
10x500 " 5045-0049
10x500 TURN BACK 5045-0049

AUTHORIZED ADMISSION

CHECK NAMES OF INDIVIDUALS
PRESENT OTHER THAN CREW MEMBERS

ABBEY, LT.

BALL, LT.

BARR, CAPT.

BENNETT, MAJOR ✓

BLAKELY, CAPT.

CARNELL, CAPT.

CLOUTER, LT.

CROSBY, CAPT. ✓

DOUGLASS, CAPT.

ELTON, MAJOR

FLESHER, LT. COL.

FRYE, LT.

FULLER, CAPT. ✓

HARDING, COL.

HARDY, CAPT.

HIBBARD, LT.

IANNACONE, CAPT.

KIDD, LT. COL.

KIBSSLING, CAPT. ✓

KINDER, CAPT. ✓

KNIGHT, CAPT.

LASH, CAPT.

LUCKADOO, LT.

McCARATHY, CAPT. ✓

REEDER, CAPT.

SHAW, MAJOR

STOVER, CAPT.

TURNER, MAJOR

WILLIAMS, J.C. LT.

WILLIAMS, M. M/SGT. ✓

S-2 DUTY OFFICER Capt. Johnson ✓Lt. BowersLt. Terry ✓Lt. KingSgt. Charlton ✓Sgt. KramerSgt. FlangC/Sgt. Armour ✓T/Sgt. HagenbachDUTY NAVIGATOR Capt. CrosbyDUTY BOMBARDIER Capt. Douglass ✓

Add additional names when verbally
authorized by S-2 Duty Officer:

DATE OF BRIEFING _____

S-2 52-18/1/44

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Please inform radio operators of the ships listed below that CAMERAS ARE installed on their planes. They will automatically start at bombs away.

After running 5 minutes please turn switch off which is located in bomb bay.

Ships: 708

~~487~~ 723

249

968

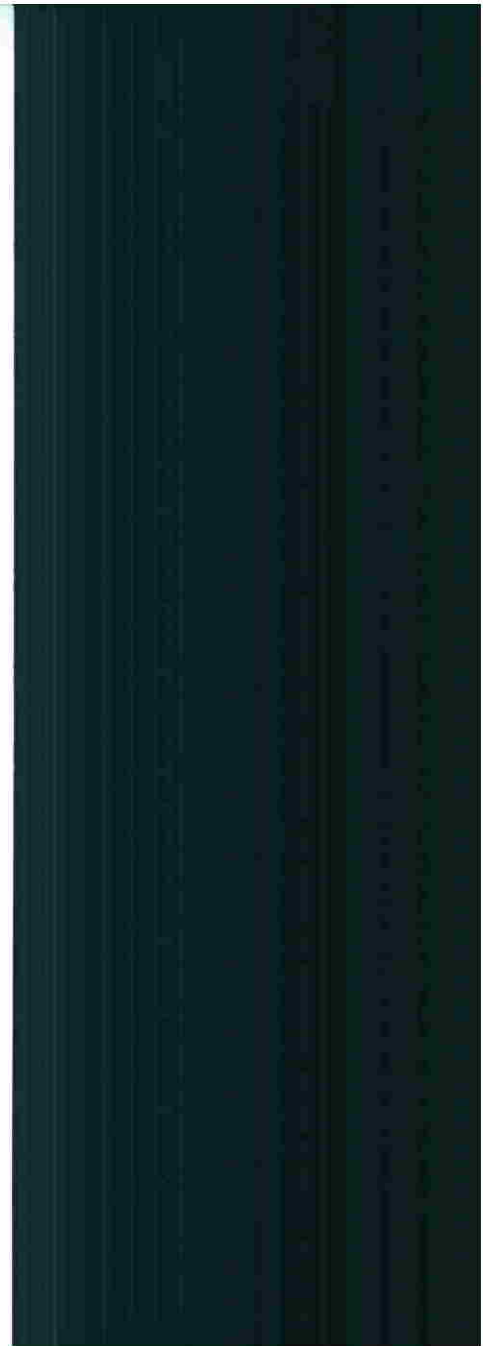
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CHECK SHEET
Duty Officer

16 March
(Date)

(Check each of following as handled)

SPECIAL
NOTES

BRIEFING INFORMATION

- | | |
|---|-------------------------------------|
| 1. From File Room | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| 2. From Map Room | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| 3. Course, pictures & maps (War Room) | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| 4. Pictures & maps (Main Briefing Room) | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| 5. Course - Briefing Rooms (Duty Navigator) | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| 6. Bulk maps & pictures to Map Room | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| 7. Epiadiascope pictures prepared | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |

FOOD

FIRES

- | | |
|---------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| 1. Gunners' Briefing Room (Tele. #53) | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| 2. Main Briefing Room (By 2400 hours) | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |

GUARDS

- | | |
|------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| 1. Authorized Admission List | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| 2. Posting | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| 3. Dismissal | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |

P/W KITS

- | | |
|------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| 1. Loading | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| 2. Check out sheet & EM assignment | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |

POST BRIEFING

- | | |
|---|-------------------------------------|
| 1. Personal property & issue records to S-2 | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| 2. Main Briefing Rm. (Lights out, stoves closed) | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| 3. Briefing Material to Files in folder
(Removed from both Briefing Rooms) | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |

(Fill in time or name)

- | | |
|---|--|
| 1. Pre-Briefing at <u>0330</u> | 9. Assignments: |
| 2. Briefing at <u>0400</u> | a. Gunners' Epiadiascope <u>Lang</u> |
| 3. Time over target <u>1212</u> | b. Main Br. Epiadiascope <u>Charlton</u> |
| 4. ETR <u>1600</u> | c. P/W Kits <u>Armer</u> |
| 5. No. Crews on Mission <u>2D+3 spares</u>
<u>+1 PFF</u> | d. Map Room <u>Kramer</u> |
| 6. File & Map clerks called at <u>0001</u> | 10. Personal phone calls stopped <u>0350</u> |
| 7. Other EM called at <u>0001, 16 Mar.</u> | |
| 8. Officers notified at: | |
| a. Main Briefing <u>0125</u> | |
| b. Gunners' Briefing <u>0125</u> | |
| c. Major Shaw <u>0930, 15 March.</u> | |

NOTE: Official telephone calls are to be noted in the Journal. Time, Date & Duty Officer's initials go on each order or annex received from Operations.

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Gablinggen - N of Augsburg - 48-27-1052 page 16
 Target at 1 3/4 miles EAST of GABLINGGEN, 5 1/2 miles N.W. of Augsburg

GUNNERS' BRIEFING

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1. TARGET: (General Location, importance, size)

P.T. Air park + has stock parts and advanced training school of Me-410 - advanced fighter conversion school - good job done on these schools in Southern France - to disrupt training program of the German Air force over March 10. Shmell 27 A/C on field. 17 on West perimeter, 4 on the North perimeter - should be between 20-40 A/C at this time -

East Boundary - Augsburg - Gersthofen -
 West " - Augsburg - Nuremberg RR

L.R.

Securdom - entry of Augsburg
 Last phase - any industrial entry as German

2. ROUTE IN (Timing data)

ROUTE OUT (Timing Data)

- a. Taxi 0645
 b. Take off 0700
 c. Rendezvous with other Groups 0856
 d. Reach Bombing altitude 0937
 e. Temperature at Bombing altitude -22.07 -31.02
 f. Leave British coast 0934
 g. Arrive Enemy Coast 0957
 h. ETA at IP for PT 1216
 i. Axis of attack 112-SW
 j. PT (s) 1212
 k. Rally point 1216

- l. Leave Enemy coast 1458
 m. Time of descent -
 n. Place of descent
 o. Arrive English coast 1520 ✓
 p. ETR 1600

4 to 6 kts
 low
 no medium
 or
 high clouds

3. ENEMY DEFENSES

- a. KNOWN Flak areas along route in and out: (Number & Type of Guns)
 If Known (Mobile Flak units; on RR cars & barges)

and
 DIEPPE + OISEMENT - Bezanvais + Creil EPERNAY + CHALONS
 STRASBOURG
 IP - Nuremberg

- b. FLAK around P. T. # Heavy guns 100 : # light guns
 a. FLAK around S. T. # Heavy guns : # light guns
 FLAK around L. R. # Heavy guns : # light guns

- c. E/A: Types... within 130 miles radius of the Target:
 Number - S/E 150 : T/E 95 : F/B : RTU 55.

d. Other defenses:

a. Smoke Screen

b. Decoys

Chaff

S-2 27/1/10/43

- b. Group leading our formation 10450
 c. Positions of Squadrons in our Group: Lead _____; High _____;
 Low _____;
 d. Bombing alt. of our Group _____; other Groups Lead - 20,000'
 e. Bomb load _____
 f. Other efforts:
 Targets and times of Diversions and other Friendly efforts:

1st 10450 - Soviet & Angkor Wat

2nd 10450 - 7 minutes in Jack Keston - 5000'

5. FIGHTER SUPPORT (Warn against firing against our own escort)

- a. Type of A/C _____; Strength _____
 b. Time and place of rendezvous _____
 c. Extent of escort: .

*C-47 - Coast - 5951
 C-47 - 2000 - 1200
 C-47 - 11500 - 1200
 C-47 - 11500 - 1200
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 C-47 - 11500 - 1200*

*02051 - 4000
 02051
 02051*

6. EPIADIASCOPE

*02051 - 4000 - 1200
 02051 - 4000 - 1200
 02051 - 4000 - 1200*

7. CLOSING REMARKS

- a. All observations - TIME, PLACE AND ALTITUDE
 b. Hot News - report time, place, and altitude of our A/C down or going down at sea; or enemy territory and enemy Naval forces.
 c. NOTIFY NAVIGATOR IMMEDIATELY IF E/A IS BELIEVED DAMAGED OR DESTROYED SO THAT PROPER NOTE IS MADE IN NAVIGATOR'S LOG
 d. If captured: Name, Rank, and Serial No.

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MAIN BRIEFING

DATE 76 MAR

BRIEFING O. Terry

1. TARGETS: (IMPORTANCE, SIZE & IDENTIFYING CHARACTERISTICS)

alt. 1510

A. PRIMARY TARGET: Gablingen AIR PARK + AIRFIELD 4427-1052

Located $1\frac{3}{4}$ miles East of Gablingen and $5\frac{1}{2}$ miles NNW of Augsburg.
 Landing area 1300 yds EW X 1100 fms NS. Our target is in FOREST
 HOLZ woods $1\frac{1}{4}$ mi. north of the landing area. MPI is among
 workshops + storage buildings. Large stores of spare parts are
 maintained here + considerable repair work is done on E/A operating in
 the Mediterranean and S. Germany.
 Also important training school for ME 410 pilots - advanced training
 and conversion - it's importance in this respect increased after the recent
 destruction of training bases in France - PRV 10 MAR. showed 27
 ME 410's.

B. SECONDARY TARGET: A/C on this A/D - mostly ME 410's.

City of Augsburg

C. LAST RESORT:

any industrial target positively identified as being in
 Germany that can be attacked without disrupting escort

2. ROUTE: (FLAK AREAS ON ROUTE IN & RETURN)

A. FROM ENEMY COAST TO I.P.: - DIEPPE + DISEMONT Defenses
 should be avoided - also BEAUVAIS + CREIL A/D - EPERNAY +
 CHALONS - STRASBOURG -

B. FROM I.P. TO TARGET:

Meagre flak may be encountered from NEUBURG A/D at I.P.
 The target is heavily defended + Route in + out are planned
 for maximum flak evasion

C. GUNS AT P.T.:

HEAVY 100

GUNS AT S.T.:

HEAVY 160

GUNS AT L.R.:

HEAVY

D. MOBILE FLAK UNITS on RR cars or BARGES (if any)

always possible along Coastal R.R. -

3. ENEMY FIGHTERS: WITHIN MILES OF THE TARGET.

A. NUMBER: S/E 40 T/E 95 F/B RTU 55

B. TACTICS: (anything new or unusual)

5. EPIADIASCOPE

6. CLOSING REMARKS:

MAKE AS MANY OBSERVATIONS AS POSSIBLE...REPORTING SAME TO YOUR NAVIGATOR.

IF CAPTURED....NAME, RANK & SERIAL NUMBER.

new

Destination A/C in Switzerland -
if possible + say that you were
on non-operational ferry trip - Stick
to the story no matter how ridiculous
~~*you may find*~~ *it may seem.*
If you bail out surrender to military
rather than civilian authorities - Pass yourself
off as an escaped PW - ~~make~~ make up some
simple story and stick to it.

Target No.
3/AIR/34

AIR PARK AND AIRFIELD, Etc.

GABLINGEN (Near AUGSBURG)
(GERMANY)

Illustration No.
3/AIR/34/3

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1. HANGARS.
2. BARRACK BUILDINGS.
3. WORKSHOPS, STORES, ETC. IN WOOD.
4. LIGHT FLAK.
5. WIRELESS STATION.
6. BRANCH RAILWAY SIDING.

7. LIGHT BRANCH RAILWAY.
8. SEARCHLIGHT.
9. AIRCRAFT BLAST WALL SHELTERS.
10. AUGSBURG-NÜRNBERG RAILWAY.
11. OFFICERS' QUARTERS.

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Target No.
3/AIR/34

AIR PARK AND AIRFIELD, Etc.

GABLINGEN (Near AUGSBURG)
(GERMANY)

Illustration No.
3/AIR/34/2

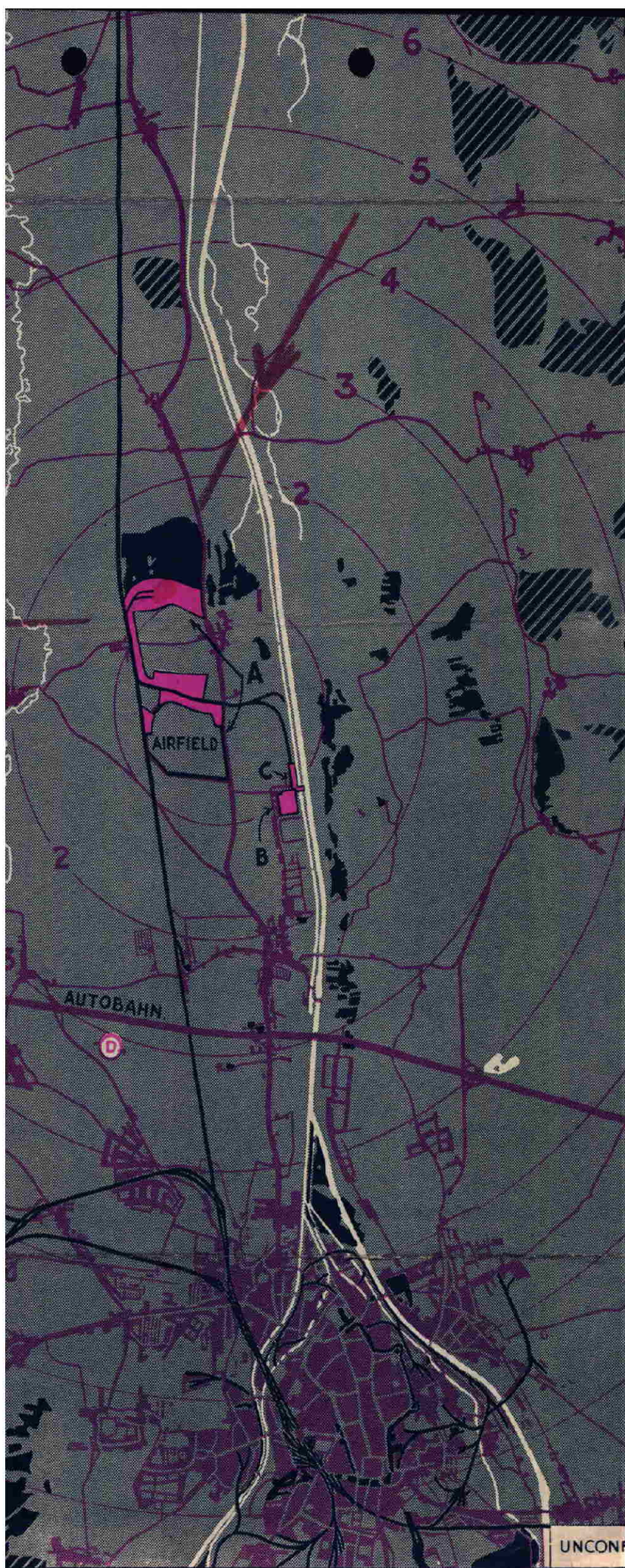
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15 March
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SECRET 3 B.D. R-132-E

ADVANCE WARNING TO 3 B.D. FIELD ORDER 179

2. A. TARGETS

PRIMARY: (1 WING PER MPI)
GY4752 MPI 035030/20
054060/20

GW4961 MPI 041034/3
013060/3 ✓

B. FORCE REQUIRED

4TH COM WG 4 GROUPS - 21 A/C PER GROUP
13TH COM WG 4 GROUPS - 21 A/C PER GROUP
45TH COM WG 3 GROUPS - 21 A/C PER GROUP

1 GROUP FROM 13TH COM WG WILL BE ATTACHED TO 4TH COM WG FOR THIS MISSION.

3. X. (1) ZERO HOUR 0930 B.S.T. 16 MARCH 1944
(BEACHY HEAD)

AS
CC 2.A. TARGETS GY4752 MPI 038030/20 RPT 038030/20 NOT 035030/20
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SECRET 3 B.D. R-137-E.

3D BOMB DIVISION FIELD ORDER NO. 179.

1. A. FIGHTER SUPPORT:

TO FOLLOW

B. FRIENDLY ACTIVITIES:

1ST DIVISION FORCES WILL DEPART BEACHY HEAD AT 17,000 FEET
 AT ZERO HOUR AND WILL GUIDE LEFT ON 3RD DIVISION FORCES
 UNTIL 4820-0900E. FROM THAT POINT 1ST DIVISION
 FORCES PROCEED TO:

4750-1030E (I.P.)
 TARGETS (GU 4058 AND GU 4063)
 4815-1030E (R.P.)
 4820-0900E
 (ROUTE BACK SAME AS
 3RD DIV.)

4742-1110E (I.P.)
 TARGET (GY 4759)
 4815-1030E (R.P.)
 4820-0900E
 (ROUTE BACK SAME AS
 3RD DIV.)

SECONDARY - GH 5527

2ND DIVISION FORCES WILL DEPART BEACHY HEAD AT 17,000 FEET
 AT ZERO HOUR PLUS 23 MINUTES AND WILL FOLLOW
 3RD DIVISION ROUTE UNTIL 4820-0900E. FROM THAT
 POINT 2ND DIVISION FORCES PROCEED TO:

4805-0937E (I.P.)
 TARGETS (GY 4758, GY 4755, GR 3682)
 4730-0945E (R.P.)
 4742-1002E
 4820-0900E
 (ROUTE BACK SAME AS 3RD DIV.)

2. A. TARGETS:

PRIMARY:

GY 4752	M.P.I.	038030/20	- 4TH A WING
		054060/20	- 4TH B WING
GW 4961	M.P.I.	041034/3	- 45TH COM WG
		013060/3	- 13TH COM WG.

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SECONDARY:

GH 5527 . IF SECONDARY IS ATTACKED 1ST DIVISION
 FORCES WILL GIVE WAY TO ALLOW 3RD DIVISION
 FORCES AN UNIMPEDED RUN.

LAST RESORT: ANY INDUSTRIAL TARGET POSITIVELY
 IDENTIFIED IN GERMANY WHICH CAN BE
 ATTACKED WITHOUT DISRUPTING FIGHTER
 SUPPORT.

B. FORCE REQUIRED:

4TH COM WG	- 4 GROUPS	- 21 A/C PER GROUP
13TH COM WG	- 4 GROUPS	- 21 A/C PER GROUP
45TH COM WG	- 3 GROUPS	- 21 A/C PER GROUP.

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C. 15:

4TH COM WG.

SPLASHER 7 (17,000 FEET)	ZERO HOUR MINUS 24 MINS
SPLASHER 8	ZERO HOUR MINUS 7 MINS
DUNGENESS (17,000 FT - START CLIMB TO 20,000 FT)	ZERO HOUR
5000-0115E (20,000 FT)	ZERO HOUR PLUS 17 MINS
4850-0400E	ZERO HOUR PLUS 52 MINS
4820-0800E	ZERO HOUR PLUS 12102 MINS
4820-0900E	ZERO HOUR PLUS 116 MINS
4856-1055E	ZERO HOUR PLUS 147 MINS
4844-1110E	ZERO HOUR PLUS 152 MINS
4834-1116E (I.P.)	ZERO HOUR PLUS 155 MINS
TARGET GY 4752	ZERO HOUR PLUS 161 MINS
4813-1055E (R.P. -20,000 FT)	ZERO HOUR PLUS 163 MINS
4814-1030E (START DESCENT TO 15,000 FT)	ZERO HOUR PLUS 169 MINS
4820-0900E	ZERO HOUR PLUS 190 MINS
4820-0800E (15,000 FT)	ZERO HOUR PLUS 205 MINS
4850-0400E	ZERO HOUR PLUS 269 MINS
5000-0115E (START DESCENT)	ZERO HOUR PLUS 326 MINS
BEACHY HEAD	ZERO HOUR PLUS 350 MINS
BASES	

RATE OF DESCENT TO 15,000 FT CALCULATED AT
160 I.A.S. 200 FEET / MINUTE.

(2) 45TH AND 13TH COM WGS.

SPLASHER 7 (17,000 FT)	ZERO HOUR MINUS 22 MINS
SPLASHER 8	ZERO HOUR MINUS 5 MINS
DUNGENESS (17,000 FT)	ZERO HOUR PLUS 2 MINS
5000-0115E	ZERO HOUR PLUS 19 MINS
4850-0400E	ZERO HOUR PLUS 54 MINS
4820-0800E	ZERO HOUR PLUS 104 MINS
4820-0900E	ZERO HOUR PLUS 118 MINS
4856-1055E	ZERO HOUR PLUS 149 MINS
4844-1110E	ZERO HOUR PLUS 154 MINS
TARGET GW 4961	ZERO HOUR PLUS 160 MINS
4828-1040E (20,000 FT)	ZERO HOUR PLUS 164 MINS
4838-1030E (START DESCENT TO 15,000 FT)	ZERO HOUR PLUS 170 MINS
4820-0900E	ZERO HOUR PLUS 190 MINS

45TH AND 13TH COM WGS WILL REJOIN AND FOLLOW THE
4TH COM WG ON ROUTE BACK.

TIMINGS ARE FOR 45TH COM WG. FOR 13TH COM WG
ADD 2 MINUTES.

RATE OF DESCENT TO 15,000 FT CALCULATED AT
160 I.A.S. 200 FEET / MINUTE.

E. BOMBING ALTITUDES:

LEAD GROUPS 20,000 FEET.

3. A. THE 4TH A WING WITH 2 P.F.F. A/C ATTACHED WILL
LEAD 3RD DIVISION FORCES, DEPARTING DUNGENESS AT
ZERO HOUR.

B. THE 4TH B WING WITH ONE GROUP FROM THE 13TH COM WG
ATTACHED WILL ECHELON LEFT ON THE 4TH A WING.

C. THE 45TH COMBAT WING WITH 2 P.F.F. A/C ATTACHED
WILL DEPART DUNGENESS AT ZERO HOUR PLUS 2 MINUTES.

D. THE 13TH COMBAT WING WITH 1 P.F.F. A/C ATTACHED
WILL DEPART DUNGENESS AT ZERO HOUR PLUS 4 MINUTES.

X. (1) ZERO HOUR : 0930 B.S.T. 16 MARCH 1944.

(2) BOMB LOAD:

4TH A WING: TWO GROUPS 5 X 1000 LB G.P. BOMBS, FUSING
1/10 NOSE, 1/100 TAIL.

ONE GROUP MAX LOAD M-47A1 I.B.'S.

4TH B WING: ONE GROUP 5 X 1000 LB G.P. BOMBS, FUSING
1/10 NOSE, 1/100 TAIL.

ONE GROUP MAX LOAD M-47A1 I.B.'S.

13TH AND 45TH COM WGS: 2 GROUPS EACH WING 10 X 500 LB
G.P. BOMBS, FUSING 1/10 NOSE,
1/100 TAIL.

1 GROUP EACH WING MAX LOAD
M-47A1

(3) DISPOSITION OF P.F.F. A/C:

- 2 H2X 382TH GROUP.
- 2 H2X 388TH GROUP.
- 1 H2X 100TH GROUP.

(4) IF SECONDARY TARGET IS ATTACKED A RIGHT TURN WILL BE MADE IMMEDIATELY AFTER BOMBING.

(5) FIRST DIVISION FORCES WILL GIVE WAY TO THE LEFT IF NECESSARY AFTER BOMBING TO AVOID INTERFERENCE WITH 3RD DIVISION FORCES.

(6) MINIMUM INTERVALOMETER SETTINGS WILL BE USED FOR ATTACKING VISUAL TARGETS. INTERVALOMETER SETTING OF 200 FEET WILL BE USED IF THE SECONDARY TARGET IS ATTACKED.

(7) ALTITUDE WILL BE REPORTED BY ALL A/C AS PLUS OR MINUS A BASE ALTITUDE OF 19,000 FEET.

(8) ANY A/C IN DISTRESS OR NEED OF FIGHTER ASSISTANCE WILL FIRE G G FLARES.

4. NORMAL. WOM WGS WILL FORWARD COPIES OF THEIR RESPECTIVE FIELD ORDERS TO THIS HEADQUARTERS.

5. COMMUNICATIONS:

A. SPLASHER BEACONS ON DURING ENTIRE MISSION:

4A, 5G, 6C, 7D, 8E, 9F, -0B, 13H AND 16I.

B. M.F. D/F SECTION "N".

C. GEE INFORMATION:

1. NORMAL TRANSMISSIONS - ON GRADE A DURING ENTIRE MISSION, EASTERN WYOMING AND SOUTHERN CAROLINA.

2. XF TRANSMISSIONS - NONE

D. V.H.F. BOMBER-FIGHTER CHANNEL "C":

1. AMERICAN: BOMBER - FIGHTER

2. R.A.F.: 11 GROUP GUARD 1.

E. VMH.F. BOMBER-FIGHTER CALLSIGNS.

1. FOR USE WITH AMERICAN FIGHTERS:

BOMBERS:

4A CBW: GOLDSMITH ONE-TWO.

4B CBW: GOLDSMITH ONE-FOUR.

45 CBW: GOLDSMITH ONE-SIX.

13 CBW: GOLDSMITH ONE-EIGHT.

FIGHTERS: (SEE PARAGRAPH 1)

GROUND SECTOR - TACKLINE.

2. FOR USE WITH R.E.F. FIGHTERS:

BOMBERS

4A CBW: GOLDSMITH ONE-TWO.

4B CBW: GOLDSMITH ONE-FOUR.

45 CBW: GOLDSMITH ONE-SIX.

13 CBW: GOLDSMITH ONE-EIGHT.

FIGHTERS: GARLIC ONE.

GROUND SECTOR: SPICECAKE.

382.F.O.179- III

F. R.C.M.:

1. CARPET: ALL OPERATIONAL AIRCRAFT EQUIPPED WILL CARRY AND OPERATE CARPET IN ACCORDANCE WITH CURRENT INSTRUCTIONS.

2. WINDOW: ALL AIRCRAFT OF THE 4A CBW WILL CARRY 220 UNITS OF CHAFF TO BE DISCHA

GED IN THE TARGET AREA STARTING AT A POINT FOUR MINUTES PRIOR TO THE I.P. AND CONTINUING FOR ELEVEN MINUTES AT THE RATE OF ONE UNIT EVERY THREE SECONDS.

ALL AIRCRAFT OF THE 94 GROUP WILL CARRY 330 UNITS OF CHAFF TO BE DISCHA

GED IN THE TARGET AREA STARTING AT A POINT FOUR MINUTES PRIOR TO THE I.P. ~~XXXXXX~~ AND CONTINUING FOR ELEVEN MINUTES AT THE RATE OF ONE UNIT EVERY TWO SECONDS.

ALL AIRCRAFT OF THE 388 AND 100 GROUPS WILL CARRY 385 UNITS OF CHAFF TO BE DISCHARGED IN THE TARGET AREA STARTING AT A POINT TWO AND A HALF MINUTES PRIOR TO THE I.P. AND CONTINUING FOR NINE AND A HALF MINUTES AT THE RATE OF ONE UNIT EVERY TWO SECONDS.

G. SPECIAL INTRUCTIONS: ALL CONTROL POINT AND TIME CHECK MESSAGE WILL BE PASSED ON BOTH CHANNEL B AND CHANNEL C. W/T MESSAGES MAY BE PASSED IN BOMBER CODE OR IN THE CLEAR, WHICH EVER IS THE EASIER.

H. AUTHENTICATORS:

1. V.H.F. - YOU SEE

2. W/T - BOMBER CODE GROUPS FOR "W/T" WILL BE USED AS THE FIRST GROUP OF EACH MESSAGE SENT FROM DIVISION.

I. P.F.F. CALLSIGNS:

100 GROUP	-	487E	MGME
385 GROUP	-	595E	MGME1
385 GROUP	-	745M	MGMM
388 GROUP	-	484B	MGMB
388 GROUP	-	8800	MGMO

CC IN PARA 5.

A. READ 9F, 10B, 13H ETC

E. V.H.F. BOMBER-FIGHTER ETC.

SAME PARA 2. FOR USE WITH R.A.F. FIGHTER NOT R.E.F. AS SENT

IN 1. R.C.M.

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INTELLIGENCE ANNEX TO 3 B.D. F.O. NO. 179

GY 4752

ENEMY FIGHTERS;

SEE EIGHTH AF NARRATIVE OF OPERATIONS NO. 235 COVERING 1ST BOMB
 DIVISION E/A ENCOUNTERS; ALSO FIGHTER COMMAND REPORT IN THE
 SAME NARRATIVE.

THIS TARGET COVERS A WIDE AREA AND THO A VERY GOOD JOB WAS DONE
 BY 1ST DIVISION THERE ARE STILL IMPORTANT INSTALLATIONS TO BE
 KNOCKED OUT. THE MAIN BUILDINGS TO BE DESTROYED ARE 41, 48, 49, AND
 52 WHICH ARE ASSEMBLY SHOPS AND HANGARS USED IN ASSEMBLY. THESE
 NUMBERS WILL BE FOUND ~~I~~ ON ILLUSTRATIONS /15 AND /17. THE DAMAGE
 DONE TO THESE BUILDINGS WAS NOT ENOUGH TO DELAY PRODUCTION FOR
 ANY LENGTH OF TIME AS SLIGHT DAMAGE ONLY WAS DONE BY NEAR HITS.
 IT IS THE AIM TO COMPLETELY DESTROY THIS TARGET AS WE DID REGENSBURG
 THE GREATEST CONCENTRATION OF DAMAGE BY 1ST DIVISION WAS IN THE
 NORTH PART OF THE TARGET AREA AND BUILDINGS 2, 4, 13 THRU 17 ;
 21 THRU 34 ARE WELL GUTTED. CONSIDERABLE DAMAGE WAS ALSO DONE
 IN THE SE PART NAMELY BUILDINGS 56, 58, 60, 61 AND 62.
 PHOTOGRAPHS TAKEN 10 MARCH SHOW 37 A/C ON THE FIELD MOSTLY ME 410
 DISPERSED AS FOLLOWS; 10 ALONG THE SOUTH HANGAR; 10 A/C IN THE
 SOUTH DISPERSAL AREA; 9 ALONG THE NORTH HANGAR; 6 ON THE EAST
 PERIMETER.

FLAK: TO FOLLOW

GW 4961

ENEMY FIGHTERS;

SEE GY 4752

THIS TARGET IS AN IMPORTANT AIR PARK AND HAS STOCKS PXX OF PARTS.
 IT IS OF IMPORTANCE ALSO BECAUSE IT IS AN ADVANCED TRAINING
 SCHOOL OF ME 410. THIS PARTICULAR FIELD IS AN ADVANCED FIGHTER
 CONVERSION SCHOOL. A GOOD JOB WAS DONE ON SOME OF THESE TRAINING
 SCHOOLS IN THE SOUTH OF FRANCE AND IT IS A DESIRE TO DISRUPT
 THE TRAINING PROGRAM OF THE GAF. COVER 10 MARCH SHOWED 27 A/C
 ON THE FIELD. 17 ON THE WEST PERIMETER AND 4 ON THE NORTH
 PERIMETER, THE REST WERE SCATTERED. THE LAST PREVIOUS COVER 12 DEC
 SHOWED 40 A/C AND IT IS BELIEVED THERE WILL BE SOMEWHERE BETWEEN
 THESE FIGURES FOUND THERE AT THIS TIME.

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SECRET 3 B.D. R-138-E

ANNEX NO. 1 TO 3 B.D. FIELD ORDER NO. 179.

1. A. FIGHTER SUPPORT

3RD DIVISION (2ND AIR TASK FORCE)

RENDEZVOUS	UNIT	CALL SIGN	TIMING
5000-0115E - 362 GP P-47	DENVER ONE ONE	(CONTROL PT. NO 1)	ZERO HOUR PLUS 17 MINS
4917-0300E - 359 GP P-47	DENVER ONE TWO		ZERO HOUR PLUS 39 MINS
4847-0430E - 56B GP P-47	DENVER ONE NINE	(CONTROL PT NO2)	ZERO HOUR PLUS 58 MINS
4832-0630E - 20 GP P-38	DENVER ONE TEN		ZERO HOUR PLUS 82 MINS
4820-0900E - 354 GP P-51	DENVER ONE ELEVEN	(CONTROL PT NO 3)	ZERO HOUR PLUS 116 MINS
4856-1055E - 355 GP P-51	DENVER ONE TWELVE		ZERO HOUR PLUS 147 MINS
4847-0430E - 352 GP P-47	DENVER ONE THIRTEEN	(CONTROL PT NO 5)	ZERO HOUR PLUS 261 MINS
4850-0400E - 2 GPS 359 AND 362 GPS P-47	DENVER TWO SIX		ZERO HOUR PLUS 269 MINS
GENERAL WITHDRAWAL SUPPORT			

NOTE: 1 GP. OF P-47'S SUPPORTING 1ST DIVISION FORCES
FROM 4847-0430 ON ROUTE OUT WILL HAVE NOSES PAINTED
VARIOUS COLORS.
1 GP P-51'S SUPPORTING 1ST DIVISION FORCES IN TARGET
AREA WILL HAVE RED SPINNERS.

CHANGE PARA. 3. A. TO READ

3. A. THE 4TH A WING WITH ONE GP FROM 13TH COM WG AND 2 PFF A/C
ATTACHED WILL LEAD 3RD DIVISION FORCES, DEPARTING
DUNGENESS AT ZERO HOUR.

CHANGE PARA. 3 B. TO READ

3. B. THE 4TH B WING WILL CHELON LEFT ON THE 4A WING.

LAST LINE CWA WILL ECHELON

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SECRET 3 B.D. R-136-E

INTELLIGENCE ANNEX TO 3 BD F.O.179

GY 4752, GW 4961

FLAK: ON ROUTE OUTH THROUGH FRANCE THERE SHOULD BE ENOUGH ROOM TO AVOID DIEPPE AND THE QISEMONT DEFENSES. BEAUVAIS AND CREIL A/D SHOULD ALSO BE AVOIDED. EPERNAY AND CHALONS SHOULD BE AVOIDED STRASBOURG IS WELL DEFENDED. THE WHOLE TARGET AREA IS DEFENDED BY 100 HEAVY GUNS. THE COURSES INTO AND OUT FROM THE TARGET AREA RE PLANNED FOR MAXIMUM FLAK EVASION. SOME MEAGRE FLAK CAN BE EXPECTED AROUND NEUBURG A/D IN THE IP AREA. THE SECONDARY TARGET IS DEFENDED BY 160 HEAVY GUNS.

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13 C.B.W. F.O. 179.

1.

2.

A. THIS WG. ATTACKS PURSUANT TO 3.B.D. F.O. 179.

B. ASSEMBLY:

BUNCHER 11 ZERO MINUS 34

100 GR. FROM N.E. AT 17,000
390B GR. FROM N AT 16,000
390A GR. FROM N AT 18,000

SPLASHER 7 ZERO MINUS 20

3. A. 100 GR. LEADS 20 A/C PLUS 1 P.F.F. A/C.

B. 390B LOW 21 A/C

C. 390A HIGH 15 A/C.

D. 95 21 A/C ATTACHED TO 4 WG. PLUS 6 A/C LOW SQDN. FOR 390A.

X. (1) FUEL LOAD: MAXIMUM

(2) BOMB LOAD:

100 GR. AND 390B - 10 X 500 GPS.
FUSING 1/10 NOSE 1/100 TAIL
390A GR. AND 95 GR.- MAX. LOAD M-47'S.

4.

5. A. PYROTECHNICS:

2. R/T CALLSIGNS: B. LEADERS:

100	-	GG	-----	FIRE BALL YELLOW----	COL. HARDING
390B	-	R	-----	FIRE BALL BLUE ----	MAJ. DOLAN
390A	-	YG	-----	FIRE BALL GREEN ----	MAJ. DAVIS
95	-	Y	-----	FIRE BALL RED ----	MAJ. STRADER

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